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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Authorization of investigation given telephonically by Bureau. USA, New Orleans, submitted to New Orleans Division 75 names and addresses of individuals comprising petit jury panel, U. S. District Court, Eastern District of Louisiana, for the term beginning November, 1939, and requested a discreet investigation be conducted as to each juror. Discreet, confidential investigation conducted through various sources at New Orleans. Detailed information as to each juror included in this report. Also, New Orleans office files checked as to each juror and information derived therefrom made a part of this report.

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REFERENCE:

Letter from New Orleans Division to Bureau dated November 2, 1939.

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DETAILS: AT NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA.

As indicated in reference letter, MR. O. JOHN ROGGE, Assistant Attorney General, of the Department of Justice, requested that a discreet investigation in this matter be conducted and that information compiled be furnished the office of the United States Attorney, New Orleans, Louisiana, by December 1, 1939.

Inspector ROSEN, of the Bureau, telephonically authorized Special Agent C. W. DUNKER to institute the investigation as requested by Assistant Attorney General O. JOHN ROGGE.

United States Attorney RENE A. VIOSCA furnished the names and addresses of seventy-five individuals who comprise the November, 1939, term petit jury panel.

In the previous investigation of the petit jury panel for the May, 1939, term of court, conducted by this office, United States Attorney RENE A. VIOSCA considered it inadvisable to contact any member of the Clerk's office in connection with the investigation. Since the previous investigation, however, the U. S. District Court Clerk has been changed and the present Clerk, A. D. O'BRIEN, JR., was contacted for such information as he could furnish regarding members of the November panel.

The investigation has been set out following according to the number given each juror, in compliance with the request of Assistant Attorney General O. JOHN ROGGE. There is also included an alphabetical table of the names of each juror on the list furnished by United States Attorney VIOSCA.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents NELSON PERRY, J. O. PEYRONNIN and the writer.

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NO. 1

W. C. HIGGASON

No information concerning W. C. HIGGASON was found in the 1935 city directory. The 1935 city directory lists WALLIE C. HIGGASON, wife LUTICIA W., salesman, 6201 South Miro. LUTICIAN W. HIGGASON is listed as a clerk, U. S. Department of Labor, Immigration and Naturalization Service. No other persons by the name of HIGGASON are shown at the address 6201 South Miro.

The records of the New Orleans Retailers Credit Bureau in a report on LUTICIA M. HIGGASON, dated August 17, 1934, reflect that she is a clerk for the U. S. Government, 310 Union Building, salary \$1,404.00 per year, has been known in the files of the Bureau for years and is a native of New Orleans, age 37, with no dependents. No previous employment is given, competency good, employer's opinion good; character and reputation good; and she has no other income in rents, owning no real estate. The report also indicated that her husband, W. C. HIGGASON, was formerly employed as a clerk in the Donaldsonville, Louisiana, drug store, coming to New Orleans approximately ten years ago. He began employment at the New Orleans Post Office as a clerk in 1929 and following was employed by the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company as an agent. In 1931 he was employed as a salesman for the Royal Typewriter Company for six months and has had no regular employment since but has been selling specialties on his own account. His income is considered small. Neither W. C. HIGGASON nor his wife represent any financial responsibility and their principal income is the salary earned by MRS. HIGGASON as a Government clerk. The trade reports indicate small open accounts in 1936 and 1937 and good credit rating with some; however, others have been refused credit. It is noted that several accounts of W. C. HIGGASON have been referred for collection.

The report furnished the information that they had lived at the following addresses: 3818 Calhoun Street; 2317 Broadway; 2230 Jena Street; 3419 Baudin; 4139 St. Charles Avenue; 500 S. St. Patrick; 5207 S. Rocheblave; their last address being 6201 South Miro.

NO. 2

W. H. WYNNE

WYNNE is not listed in the 1935 city directory. The 1935 city directory shows WILLIAM H. WYNNE, wife ADA, district freight agent of the Southern Pacific Railroad, residing at 210 Hector Avenue, Metairie. It also lists as residing at this address, and possibly relatives of WYNNE, EDWARD W. WYNNE, student; W. HOWELL WYNNE, dentist, with office at 702 Maison Blanche Building; and HALEY M. WYNNE, clerk, Interstate Electric Company.

The records of the New Orleans Retailers Credit Bureau reflect in a report dated August 19, 1937, WILLIAM H. WYNNE, employed as a commercial agent for the Southern Pacific Railroad, 505 Pan-American Bank Building, resides at 210 Hector Avenue, Metairie, having formerly resided at 2310 Calhoun and 1523 Pine Street.

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WYNNE is indicated as a native of New Orleans, having lived in New Orleans all his life and has been employed by the Southern Pacific Railway since 1905 and for ten years has been commercial agent. His age is given as fifty-two and he is married. His salary is indicated to be around \$4,000.00 a year but it may have been reduced.

On September 29, 1916, the record reflects that WYNNE purchased from the Eureka Homestead Association a piece of property in the 6th District, Square 23, bounded by Pine, Birch, Broadway and Jeanette Streets, which property is subject to a mortgage of \$2,700.00 still of record. WYNNE has several children, most of whom are grown, according to the report. On a trade clearance made November 18, 1938, one open account was shown past due. Several installment accounts were shown with good payment and several accounts with personal loan finance companies were shown with good payment record.

WARREN KNEARNEY, Jury Commissioner, stated that he believed this man was a former employee of the Southern Pacific Railway but he could give no additional information concerning his character or reputation.

NO. 3

LEON BER

The 1935 city directory shows LEON E. BER, Vice-President and General Manager of Stevens, Inc., residing at 5620 Hurst Street, Apartment B. Additional information in the 1938 city directory shows his wife's name to be CLADYS, residing at the same address. Information from this directory shows Stevens, Inc., located at 710 Canal Street, doing business principally as clothiers, furnishers and hatters and handling Hart, Schaffner & Marx suits. It shows, in addition, the following persons residing at 5620 Hurst Street: PETER E. DUNN, J. PETTIGREW WRIGHT, and IRA F. SCHNEGEL.

The records of the New Orleans Retailers Credit Bureau show that LEON BER formerly resided at the following addresses: 6 Dunleath Court; 1507 Jefferson Avenue; 5520 Willow Street; 2417 Calhoun Street. His business address was given as Stevens, Inc. His credit rating is considered good. There is no additional information in the files of this Bureau.

FRANK H. MORTIMER, former Jury Commissioner, stated that this man is manager of Stevens, Inc., a clothing store; he is Jewish; has considerable means and has a high standing in New Orleans.

A confidential informant stated that MR. BER formerly worked for Mayer Israel's Store in New Orleans; left the employ of that concern to go into the haberdashery business for himself; then went out of business and is presently associated with Stevens, Inc., a reputable store on Canal Street. He indicated that this man is a Jew and that he would not use him in a case where there is a Jew on trial.

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The 1935 city directory shows EARL H. VAUGHAN to be an agent of the Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York, with home at 704 St. Charles, Apartment A. The 1938 city directory shows EARL H. VAUGHAN, wife JANE, insurance agent, located at 713 Mantina Building, and residing at 1510 S. Carrollton Avenue. This directory reflects that also at 713 Mantina Building are located C. ADRIAN BODET, insurance agent, and NIEL B. HERMAN, who is in the heating and ventilating business. ELSIE WRIGHT is also indicated as residing at 1510 South Carrollton.

The files of the New Orleans Retailers Credit Bureau reflect that EARL H. VAUGHAN is in the insurance business, located at 518 Gravier Street. This record reflects numerous open accounts of small amounts, none of which are past due and the payment on which was good. There is also indication of several small installment accounts, none past due, and payment is good. Several personal loans were indicated with outstanding balances; the record of payment is good. This record shows that there is a chattel mortgage on an Oldsmobile car on February 6, 1939, in the amount of \$423.53. VAUGHAN is indicated from this report as having lived at the following addresses: 2007 Pius Street; 1422 Constantinople; 1301 Napoleon Avenue; 7914 St. Charles Avenue in March, 1931; and 1510 South Carrollton in October, 1936.

The 1935 city directory shows MILTON F. HIRSCH as a solicitor for the Hartwig-Moss, Inc., Agency Company, residing at 518 Walnut, Apartment A. The 1938 city directory shows MILTON F. HIRSCH, wife HASTIE, employed as an insurance agent, residing at 624 Lowerline Avenue, Apartment L. It also indicates that CERP HIRSCH resides at 624 Lowerline and is in the cotton business. This directory shows the following named people as residing at 624 Lowerline: MELVILLE J. THOMAS, JR.; WERNER KUHNKE; HELEN E. HATLEY; GEORGE KILB; JOSEPH W. ALLEN; MRS. MARGARET COCKE; MRS. MARIE T. PONCET; JOHN S. DYER; and JULIUS J. FERETTITA.

The records of the New Orleans Retailers Credit Bureau show that MILTON F. HIRSCH is manager of the Hartwig-Moss Insurance Company located in the Union Building. In a report on HIRSCH dated January 3, 1936, it is reflected that he is a native of New Orleans, residing in an apartment located in a good section of town. His age on this date was fifty; he is Jewish; married, and his wife is his only dependent. The report shows that he has been manager of Hartwig-Moss, an insurance company, for twenty-five years. His competency is rated as good and his former employers recommend him. His habits and morals are good, he is indicated as being reliable and having a good reputation. The record shows that his approximate salary is \$5,000.00 a year and that his wife has separate means. Their joint worth is about \$50,000.00. In addition, this record shows HIRSCH's trade clearance for Marine Insurance in June, 1939, and that payments are good on numerous small open accounts. Payments are also good on several small installment accounts and on a \$100.00 personal loan made in 1936.

FRANK H. MORTIMER, former Jury Commissioner, knows HIRSCH to be Jewish and that he is in business as an accountant.

A. D. O'BRIEN, JR., clerk, U. S. District Court, indicated that he knows HIRSCH slightly and also knows his brother, DR. JULIAN HIRSCH. He indicated that the juror impressed him as being a decent and honest sort of fellow but that the firm which he is associated with might have some political connections.

NO. 6

HERBERT C. SALE

The 1935 city directory shows HERBERT C. SALE, an electrician with the Dixie Electric & Auto Parts Corporation, residing at 5139 Canal Boulevard. Also residing at this address, and a possible relation, is JAMES H. SALE, who is assistant custodian in the Post Office Building. The 1938 city directory shows HERBERT C. SALE, wife LOUISE, employed as an electrician and residing at 1320 Adams Street. It also indicates that LOUISE SALE is an X-ray technician.

A report of the New Orleans Retailers Credit Bureau shows HERBERT SALE employed by the Federal Barge Line, with addresses as follows: 5427 Hawthorne; 5139 Canal, December, 1936; 1320 Adams Street, August, 1937; and 5547 Woodlawn, March, 1939. This record shows two credit clearances dated May, 1934, and July, 1936, both showing good payment. There is no additional information in this file.

NO. 7

WILLIAM F. WITTE

The 1935 city directory does not list WITTE. As a possible relationship, however, it is noted that a CHARLES H. WITTE is clerk of the Orleans Parish Board of Assessors, residing at 5911 West End Boulevard. The 1938 city directory shows WILLIAM F. WITTE residing at 1725 Broadway and no occupation is given. It is determined that JOSEPH E. HENDERSON also resides at this address.

There is no record of WITTE at the New Orleans Retailers Credit Bureau.

NO. 8

PAUL H. MALONEY, JR.

The 1935 city directory lists PAUL H. MALONEY, SR., Congressman, residing at 1200 South Front Street. PAUL H. MALONEY, JR., is listed as being president of the Maloney Trucking & Storage, Inc., residing at 265 Audubon Boulevard. FERNAND C. GANDOLFO, JR., is listed as Vice-president and EMILE A. MUGNIER, Jr., is listed as Secretary-Treasurer of this corporation. The 1938 city directory shows MALONEY, wife EVELYN, to be President of Maloney Trucking & Storage, Inc. He is shown to reside at the address given above for him. Officers of the Maloney Trucking & Storage, Inc., are shown as follows:

Vice-Presidents: ROBERT L. HARDIE, ROGER J. NAYREY, and HARRY D. HAMILTON;
Secretary-Treasurer, EMILIA A. MUGNIER, JR.

Records of the New Orleans Retailers Credit Bureau show PAUL H. MALONEY, JR., as president of the Maloney Trucking & Storage Company, with former residence at 2216 Worth Street and present address at 265 Audubon Boulevard.

Credit record prepared April 10, 1939, on MRS. E. H. MALONEY shows that payments are good on open trade accounts.

A credit report on PAUL H. MALONEY, JR., prepared June 14, 1938, indicates that he is a native of New Orleans and that he has resided at 265 Audubon Boulevard for the past ten years. He is thirty-eight years old, has a wife and two children. It indicates he has been president of the Maloney Trucking Corporation since 1930 and that for years previous he was manager of the Maloney Motor Company. His character, morals and habits are good. His estimated income is \$10,000.00 a year. This record shows that he owns a home assessed at \$15,000.00 and that he is the son of P. H. MALONEY, member of Congress from New Orleans. He graduated from Tulane University as a dentist. For the last fifteen years MALONEY, JR., has been looking after his father's business. This record also states that he has interest in other business in New Orleans. His estimated worth is \$50,000.00.

FRANK H. MORTIMER indicated that MALONEY operates a fast freight service owned by him and his father and that his father is a Congressman from the Second District and a Director of the National Bank of Commerce and also of a homestead association. He stated that MALONEY is very wealthy and connected with a prominent social group in New Orleans and that due to his father's political position he is very closely connected with the present political regime.

WARREN KEARNEY, Jury Commissioner, indicated that MALONEY is a member of the State Legislature and that he is closely allied with the present administration.

Confidential informant indicated that this juror would not be trust-worthy at all. He stated that in a building and loan association some time ago he tried "to grow over night as one of the powers". He indicated that there was a levy on all homesteads for certain advertising and that PAUL MALONEY, JR., took \$1,900.00 of those funds and bought an automobile and gave it to WILLIAM E. WOOD, State Homestead Supervisor of the Banking Department of the State of Louisiana, and that this car was delivered to WOOD at Crowley, Louisiana. He stated that the funds should have been used strictly for advertising purposes and not converted as MALONEY used them, which act on the part of PAUL MALONEY, JR., was, in his opinion, a criminal offense.

since 1928. He was formerly employed by the New Orleans States as Advertising Manager. References from this company indicated that he is capable and dependable. WALMSLEY appears to be well regarded, possessing good habits and morale. This report indicates that he has many contacts in New Orleans. His income is listed as \$4,000.00 a year. This record also shows that WALMSLEY boards with his mother; MRS. WALMSLEY owns an one-third interest in some residential property located at 4717 Carondelet Street.

Information furnished by FRANK MORTIMER shows that WALMSLEY is employed by the Whitney National Bank in the New Business Department. MORTIMER indicated that he is a brother of T. SEMMES WALMSLEY, former mayor of New Orleans, who was removed from office by HUEY P. LONG. MORTIMER indicated that this man has taken no part in the political activities. He is a man of only moderate means but is believed to be of good social standing.

A. D. O'BRIEN, Clerk of the U. S. District Court, believed that this juror is one of the vice-presidents of the Whitney National Bank, New Orleans. He does not believe that this juror is related to T. SEMMES WALMSLEY, former mayor of New Orleans. He knows this man to be a close friend of Judge RUFUS FOSTER, of the Circuit Court in this city, and that both are members of a same carnival organization. He believes WALMSLEY a high-class man, entirely reliable and, in his opinion, WALMSLEY would make a favorable juror for the Government.

WARREN KEARNEY indicated that WALMSLEY was vice-president of the Whitney National Bank.

Confidential Informant indicated that WALMSLEY is a brother of the former mayor WALMSLEY and is an avowed anti-administration man. He indicated that this man was a banker and thought that he undoubtedly would give the Government a fair break and that, as a matter of fact, he might lean too far for the Government. This informant believed the gentleman is above reproach.

NO. 12

E. E. BOUTERIE

E. E. BOUTERIE is not listed in either the 1935 or the 1938 city directory.

Record of the New Orleans Retailers Credit Bureau shows that ETIENNE BOUTERIE resides at 819 President Street, Thibodaux, Louisiana. This record indicates a trade experience of two 1934 accounts, one of which is past due.

Special Agent J. O. PLYRONNIN stated that he is acquainted with a number of BOUTERIES residing at Thibodaux, Louisiana, and there is a BOUTERIE, probably ETIENNE BOUTERIE, who is a former employee of the Post

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The 1935 city directory shows GEORGE W. BOHN, President of the Bohn Motor Company, Inc., residing at 17 Newcomb Boulevard. The 1938 city directory shows the same information and, in addition, gives his wife's name as KATHLEEN and shows GEORGE W. BOHN, JR., is a student. This directory indicates the Bohn Motor Company is a Ford agency located at Washington Avenue and South Broad.

Records at the New Orleans Retailers Credit Bureau show GEORGE W. BOHN, SR., as president, treasurer and manager of the Bohn Motor Company, Inc., 2700 South Broad. Information prepared July 1, 1939, reflects that BOHN'S bank account is very satisfactory. It shows that department, clothing and furniture store open accounts were all paid satisfactorily. He has been residing at 17 Newcomb Boulevard since 1932. His age in this report is given as fifty years; he is married and has three children. This record indicates that he has been president of the Bohn Motor Company since December 12, 1934. BOHN is well-regarded and possesses good character and morals. His estimated income is \$10,000.00 annually. This record shows that BOHN is from Pass Christian, Mississippi, and that he was formerly employed by the Louisville & Nashville Railroad for eight years and that he was employed as secretary for the Edwards Motor Company in New Orleans from 1914 until 1924. In 1924 he organized the Bohn Motor Company, dealing in Ford cars, which has, in addition, repair and service departments. This business has a capitalization of approximately \$30,000.00. BOHN is listed as the owner of the building at 2700 South Broad, which is worth approximately \$50,000.00. BOHN owns his own home, purchased from G. C. COLE in November, 1932, and which is mortgaged at \$17,000.00. He is regarded as a capable man.

FRANK H. MORTIMER indicated that BOHN owns a very large Ford agency in New Orleans and is considered quite wealthy. He is believed to possess a high character and good reputation. MORTIMER stated that he has no close political affiliations.

A. D. O'BRIEN stated that he does not know BOHN personally but knows of him and that he seems reputable and well-established. He does not think BOHN is affiliated with the political element and would be willing to accept him on a case in which he, MR. O'BRIEN, would be concerned.

Confidential informant stated that BOHN is a shrewd business operator; that he has social aspirations and would only use him as a juror if compelled to. He indicated that BOHN is quite friendly with the powers that be and is a close friend of MILES PRATT, who is close to the present administration.

Assistant United States Attorney HERBERT W. CHRISTENBERRY advised that he was of the opinion that BOHN had done considerable business in selling cars to the city of New Orleans.

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The 1935 city directory shows PAUL F. JAHNOCKE as president of the Jahnoke Service, Inc., and Flint, Sand & Gravel Company, with home at 7 Audubon Place. His wife is listed as financial secretary of the Orleans Club. The 1938 city directory shows PAUL F. JAHNOCKE, wife PEARL, residing at 7 Audubon Place, president Jahnoke Service, Inc., and vice-president of the Flint, Sand & Gravel Company. This directory also lists at 7 Audubon Place DAVID L. JAHNOCKE, clerk, Jahnoke Service Company; and PAUL F. JAHNOCKE, JR., salesman for Jahnoke Service Company, residing at 416 Lowerline. For the Jahnoke Service Company, Inc., address 814 Howard Street, PAUL F. JAHNOCKE is given as president, WALTER F. JAHNOCKE, vice-president and treasurer, and GEORGE BECKER, secretary. The Jahnoke Service Company is indicated as dealers in concrete and building products. WALTER F. JAHNOCKE is given as president of the Shipside Storage Company and president of the Flint, Sand & Gravel Company. He is also Norwegian Consul. The Flint, Sand & Gravel Company is located at 816 Howard Street, and besides WALTER F. JAHNOCKE, president, and PAUL F. JAHNOCKE, vice-president, HOWARD J. COWGILL, Bogalusa, Louisiana, is secretary and treasurer.

The records of the New Orleans Retailers Credit Bureau reflect in a report dated March 27, 1936, that PAUL F. JAHNOCKE, SR., is a native of New Orleans and resides at 7 Audubon Place, where he has lived for twenty-five years. This is a single residence located in a good section of town. His age in 1936 was fifty-five years, he is married and has grown children. JAHNOCKE has been president of the Jahnoke Service, Inc., since 1915, which Service is valued at approximately \$300,000.00 and which has a good reputation. JAHNOCKE was formerly president of the Jahnoke Drydock & Ship Building Corporation for ten years. His habits, character and morals are considered good and he is reputed to have a good reputation. His estimated income is \$20,000.00 a year, which is considered permanent. His estimated worth is \$250,000.00. The report shows that he owns his home and additional property. His credit record with open trade accounts is very good.

FRANK H. MORTIMER stated that the juror operates Jahnoke Service and also barge lines and that he has done considerable business with the State of Louisiana and has close political connection with the present regime. He has a residence in the same neighborhood as ABL SHUSHAN, which is used as a country residence. JAHNOCKE is very prominent socially.

WARREN KEARNEY indicated that JAHNOCKE is a competitor of his in business and he knows JAHNOCKE to sell materials to the State Government. It has been reported to KEARNEY that JAHNOCKE sold shells for RICHARD LECHE'S boat house. He believes that JAHNOCKE would be a warm supporter for the present administration.

A. D. O'BRIEN is not personally acquainted with JAHNOCKE and knows him to be head of the Jahnoke Service Company.

According to a report in the New Orleans Field Division file in the case entitled "UNKNOWN SUBJECTS; MRS. PAUL E. JAHNOCKE, JR., Victim; EXTORTION", MRS. PAUL JAHNOCKE, JR., was the victim in an extortion investigation. The

file reflects that on March 27, 1936, MR. W. H. NORMAN, former Assistant United States Attorney in New Orleans, and MR. PAUL JAHNCKE, JR., appeared at the New Orleans office and reported that his, JAHNCKE'S wife, received a letter on the morning of March 27, 1936, in which a demand was made for \$900.00 cash to be placed at a designated spot on Fontainebleau and State Streets in New Orleans. Information in this file reflects that MR. PAUL F. JAHNCKE, JR., is employed as an official of the Jahncke Service, Inc., of which concerns his father, PAUL JAHNCKE, is president.

Confidential Informant stated that it is a known fact that this individual was called as a character witness for SKYMOUR WEISS at the last trial. ROBERT MAESTRI is reputed to be interested in his gravel business and is alleged to have put up \$100,000.00 in that business. This informant believes that if this juror were unfriendly to the State administration he could not survive. He would under no circumstances recommend this juror to serve.

Assistant United States Attorney HERBERT W. CHRISTENBERRY advised that PAUL F. JAHNCKE was very closely connected with the present political administration in the State of Louisiana and that he was the subject of a case in the United States Attorney's office for the Eastern District of Louisiana, the facts of which were presented to a Grand Jury but no true bill was returned against JAHNCKE and the company for which he works, Jahncke Service, Inc. The case involved a conspiracy by JAHNCKE and others in the contracting business in collusion in buying on Government contracts. The United States Attorney's file number of this case is 3152. It is MR. CHRISTENBERRY'S information that the Jahncke Service, Inc., is or has been in financial difficulty and it is possibly operating under receivership at the present time.

NO. 11

S. P. WALMSLEY, JR.

The 1935 city directory does not list S. P. WALMSLEY, JR. In this connection it is brought out that T. SEYMES WALMSLEY is a possible relation of the juror and this directory indicates that he is mayor of the City of New Orleans and president of the Commission Council and resides at 2001 Palmer Avenue. S. P. WALMSLEY, JR., is not listed in the 1938 directory.

Records of the New Orleans Retailers Credit Bureau show that SYLVESTER PIERCE WALMSLEY, JR., resides at 2507 Prytanis Street. His occupation is recorded as contact man for the Whitney Central National Bank located at St. Charles and Gravier Streets. A credit report prepared July 26, 1939, shows that payments on open trade accounts are fair and that \$13.00 was over due on a clothing account of this date. Payments on installment accounts were fair. The record shows that in August, 1937, WALMSLEY made a loan of \$300.00 and that payments on this loan were good. This record shows that a suit was brought against WALMSLEY by J. I. and L. B. CARTER for \$2,000.00 on January 22, 1929. Record of this suit could not be verified. Another credit report prepared in April, 1937, showed that WALMSLEY has been residing at 2005 Prytanis Street for thirty-five years and that he is a native of New Orleans. The home at this address is a frame house, located in a residential section. His age is given as fifty years in 1937; he is married and has no children. WALMSLEY has been employed as a contact man with the Whitney Bank

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Office department in Thibodeaux as a rural route carrier but this person is presently on a pension, having put in about thirty years of service in that department. The BOUTERIE family is known to be close to Sheriff STARK of Thibodeaux, Louisiana, and Sheriff STARK is reported to be close to the present administration.

NO. 13

ALLARD KAUFMAN

The 1935 city directory shows ALLARD KAUFMAN, Vice-President of the Southland Lumber Trading, Inc., who resides at 1617 Fourth Street. The 1938 city directory shows ALLARD KAUFMAN, with wife JULIA A., Vice-President and Secretary of the Southland Lumber & Trading Company, residing at 1519 Calhoun Street. This directory indicates the Southland Lumber & Trading Company located at 810 Carondelet Building, GEORGE D. IZAREL, President.

From records of the New Orleans Retailers Credit Bureau it was determined that ALLARD KAUFMAN is vice-president of the Southland Lumber & Trading Company. In a report prepared December, 1938, it is indicated that KAUFMAN is a native of New Orleans, forty-six years of age, and he is married. He has been vice-president of the Southland Lumber & Trading Company since 1921. He is reputed to have a good character and good morals. His estimated earnings are \$5,000.00 a year. He is also a stockholder in the Southland Lumber & Trading Company. This record indicates that he is the son of GEORGE P. KAUFMAN, retired, of Covington, Louisiana. ALLARD KAUFMAN has been connected with the Southland Company since 1919, acquiring with GEORGE D. IZAREL controlling stock in 1921. This corporation is capitalized at \$100,000.00. KAUFMAN is believed to have accumulated some personal means. The credit record shows trade experience of several small open accounts of long standing with good payments.

FRANK E. MORTIMER stated that KAUFMAN is not considered Jewish but that his father may have been Jewish; his mother is definitely not. He believes KAUFMAN to be in the insurance business and thought that he is quite prominent socially, with no particular political affiliations.

WARREN KEARNEY indicated that KAUFMAN stands very well socially and, to his knowledge, KAUFMAN has no political affiliations.

Confidential Informant indicated that KAUFMAN associates with the better element in New Orleans. He stated that although he does not know much about KAUFMAN'S business connections he is inclined to believe that he would make an exceptional juror. Informant indicated that this gentleman married the daughter of MRS. JEAN CASTELLANO, who operates the Patio Royal where the higher class persons gather socially and where a number of debutante parties are given.

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The 1935 city directory shows that there are no JOHN N. LEEs listed, nor are there any LEEs listed as residing at 8237 Apricot Street. The 1938 directory shows a JACK LEE residing at 8237 Apricot Street and employed by Dun & Bradstreet. Information afforded by the New Orleans Retailers Credit Bureau shows JOHN N. LEE resides at 6117 Willow Street, is employed by Dun & Bradstreet. The file indicates LEE'S trade experience in 1935 to be fair payment on several small accounts. No other information is included in the file.

The 1935 city directory does not list a LAWRENCE EUSTIS; however, a LEEDS EUSTIS, JR., is listed, with occupation as a teacher, who resides at 1732 Amelia Street. The 1938 directory indicates LAWRENCE EUSTIS, JR., with wife, KATE, employed as a salesman for Godchaux & Mayer, Ltd., residing at 1732 Cadiz Street. This directory indicates the following officers of Godchaux & Mayer, Ltd.: HAROLD S. MAYER, President; RALPH M. PONS, Vice-President; JAMES B. ROSS, Vice-President. The business of this concern is indicated as insurance agents, doing business at 817 Union Street.

The records of the New Orleans Retailers Credit Bureau reflect that LAWRENCE EUSTIS, JR., is an agent for the Home Life Insurance Company, 817 Union Street. In a credit report prepared May 7, 1935, from Memphis, Tennessee, it was indicated that EUSTIS, JR., is not known in the files of the New Orleans Retailers Credit Bureau but that his father has been known since 1925. This report shows juror to be attending Tulane University. His age is given as twenty to twenty-two years, he is single and it is indicated that he is earning \$40.00 per month as editor of a college paper and also that he earns board at the fraternity house. This record shows that his father is employed at the Commodity Credit Corporation; also, that his father owns his home in Memphis and that his credit in Memphis is rated as good.

In a report prepared June 9, 1939, it is indicated that EUSTIS, JR., had been residing in New Orleans since 1933; that he is thirty years old and that he is married. His occupation is listed as an agent for the Home Life Insurance Company since 1935. He is well-regarded, his habits and morals are believed good. He is considered a capable man and his commissions amount to about \$5,000.00 per year. He was formerly employed in the New Orleans City Better Bureau. There is no particular financial ability, other than good earnings, indicated. The report shows he has several small open accounts, with payments good.

FRANK H. FORTINER indicated that LAWRENCE EUSTIS, JR., is a cousin of LEEDS EUSTIS, Cashier of the Whitney National Bank, who is a member of a very prominent family socially but which is not connected with the present political administration.

WARREN KEARNEY indicated that LKEDS EUSTIS is a member of a very prominent social family and that he might have tendencies to oppose the present administration.

A. D. O'BRIEN stated that he knows this juror very well. He is a personal friend of EUSTIS and believes that he is entirely reliable. O'BRIEN indicated that his occupation is an insurance salesman; that he is a man who is very aggressive and honest in his dealings. O'BRIEN indicated that he is married to the sister of ARTHUR DE LA HOUSSEY, an attorney of New Orleans, and in his opinion the juror would make a very favorable juror for the Government.

Confidential Informant stated that he believes this man is a son of CARTWRIGHT EUSTIS, who is now the secretary of the Boston Club. He believes that if this juror is a member of that family he feels confident that he would make an acceptable juror.

According to the files of the New Orleans office, the Peoples League was formed in New Orleans about August 5, 1939, for the purpose of cooperation with the public to see that drawings for juries were made public. Information has been furnished the New Orleans office that some of the members of this League possessed radical tendencies and at the time this League was formed it is reported that the League originated a large amount of publicity relative to the indictments and exposure of corrupt politics in Louisiana. According to the list of membership in this League, LAWRENCE EUSTIS, JR., and SHEPHERD SHUSHAN were members. Also in the list were included some of the most outstanding and reputable citizens of this community.

NO. 16

HUGH Mc. C. EVANS

The 1935 city directory shows HUGH Mc. C. EVANS, Department Manager, D. H. Holmes Company, with a home at 1520 Toladano Street. The 1938 city directory shows MR. EVANS residing at the same address, with identical occupation, and indicates wife SEDONIA. From this directory it was determined that the following named are officers of D. H. Holmes Company: ROBERT LIENHARD, president; R. W. WILMOT, vice-president; HUGH E. VINCENT, vice-president; PERCY S. BENEDICT, secretary; BERNARD McCLOSKEY, treasurer; JAMES A. SMITH, assistant secretary-treasurer.

Records of the New Orleans Retailers Credit Bureau indicate HUGH McCLOSKEY EVANS resides at 1520 Toladano and his occupation is given as Divisional Merchandise Manager at D. H. Holmes Company, 819 Canal Street. Credit record prepared December 8, 1938, indicates the following: his credit record is stated as good; EVANS is a native of New Orleans and has resided at the same address for the past thirty years. He is thirty years old, married to a former DE LA HOUSSEY and has one child. He was a Tulane student for four years and clerk at D. H. Holmes Company from 1934 to 1936.

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He has been Divisional Merchandise Manager at D. H. Holmes since 1936. This record indicates his character, morals and habits are good. It also states that he is a stockholder in the Holmes Company. His salary is given as \$5,000.00 a year. This record indicates that he is the only son of FRED W. EVANS, President of Holmes Company until his death in 1937. He left an estate of \$109,776.00, which includes 240 shares of stock of D. H. Holmes Company. The juror also inherited about \$18,500.00 worth of insurance. EVANS inherited means from his mother, who was a member of the well-known McCLOSKEY family in New Orleans. His net worth is estimated at over \$50,000.00.

FRANK H. MORTIMER indicated that EVANS is the son of former General Manager of D. H. Holmes Department Store and presently employed in a prominent position at that store. He stated that EVANS is moderately wealthy and is well-regarded.

A. D. O'BRIEN stated that he went to school with EVANS and that he is a son of the late President of D. H. Holmes Company in New Orleans. He indicated that this man is not very bright and that he would not want to trust him in matters where there was self-interest on his, the juror's, part. O'BRIEN indicated that he would not consider the juror dishonest to the extent of taking money but from his experience with EVANS while attending school he gained the impression that the juror was somewhat unethical.

WARREN KEARNEY indicated he did not know EVANS personally but he believed he had no particular political connection.

NO. 17

HENRY E. COLLIER

The 1935 city directory shows HENRY E. COLLIER, occupation book-binder for JOHN E. MATHES, resides at 7323 Nelson Street. GEORGE F. COLLIER, possible relative, whose occupation is given as an attendant, resides at the same address. The 1938 city directory indicates similar information as the 1935 directory, and, in addition, shows VIOLA FALMS, nurse, also residing at 7323 Nelson Street.

The records of the New Orleans Retailers Credit Bureau indicate juror residing at 7323 Nelson Street, with occupation as bookbinder for JOHN E. MATHES, located at 305 Camp Street. In a report prepared April 20, 1934, it is stated that COLLIER is known to this Bureau since 1927; that he is a native of New Orleans and lives in a good section of town. His age is estimated to be fifty to fifty-five years. He is married and his wife is his only dependent. This record shows that he has been employed as book-binder for thirty-five years, with no previous employment indicated. His competency is recorded as good and it is also indicated that his character and habits are good. His salary is \$30.00 to \$35.00 per week. This record shows that he has a son employed by the Shell Petroleum Company at \$95.00 per month. His estimated worth is \$4,000.00 to \$5,000.00. He owns a home assessed at \$4,000.00, which is not mortgaged. The credit record indicates one open account for \$400.00, with payments good; also, several installment accounts with good payments.

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The 1935 city directory shows GLEN S. COBB, Secretary-Treasurer of Cobb & Whitehead, Inc. His home is at 4312 South Prieur Street. This directory lists DORIS COBB, stenographer, residing at the same address, and a possible relative of juror. The 1938 directory indicates that GLEN S. COBB, wife JANE, is vice-president and general manager of Cobb & Whitehead, Inc., and that he resides at 5863 West End Boulevard. Information from this directory indicates that Cobb & Whitehead, Inc., is a Lincoln Motor car agency which is located at 832 St. Charles Avenue. Also indicated as living at 5863 West End Boulevard is ANDREW E. DUPRE.

From the records of the New Orleans Retailers Credit Bureau it was determined that GLEN S. COBB is an employee of Cobb & Whitehead Motor Company, Inc. This record indicates that he is a road man for the Ford Motor Company of Arabi, Louisiana. This record also indicates that he is divorced from NORMA COBB. The addresses indicated from this record of COBB are as follows: September, 1934, 4312 South Prieur; January, 1938, 518 Hilary; April 1938, 5863 West End Boulevard; other addresses, the dates of which were not indicated, are 1070 St. Charles Avenue, 7731 Spruce Street, 1413 Adams, 1523 Hilary, and 5207 Prytanis. Credit record dated April 12, 1938, has a status of fair. There was no other information concerning this individual at this Bureau.

FRANK H. MORRIMER indicated that COBB is an executive of Cobb & Whitehead, a large Ford agency in this city, and that he is prominent socially and of considerable wealth. He believes that COBB has no political connections.

The 1935 city directory shows WILLIAM ZIEGLER, solicitor for Bloodworth, Grasser & Dessaner, Inc. His address is indicated as 514 Arlington Avenue, Metairie. This directory indicates that his wife is nurse for WILLIAM A. WAGNER and she resides at the same address. The 1938 city directory indicates that WILLIAM ZIEGLER, wife SOPHIA, salesman, Bloodworth, Grasser & Dessaner, Inc., at 812 Union Street. This directory indicates that the following are officers of this corporation, which deals in the insurance business: EUGENE A. GRASSER, president; ALEXANDER E. MARIER, vice-president; JOSEPH THIEBUD, vice-president; THELMA MOSS, secretary; and DAVID J. DESCANET, treasurer. At 812 Union Street, beside the above corporation, is also listed DAVID L. JAMISON, insurance business, and MANUEL M. VEGA, insurance business.

The records of the New Orleans Retailers Credit Bureau indicate that WILLIAM A. ZIEGLER, formerly residing at 4928 South Johnson Street, is presently residing at the address indicated above. His credit record as of March 7, 1938, is rated as good. A record prepared by this Bureau on

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November 1, 1935, indicates that ZIEGLER is a native of New Orleans and has been residing at 514 Arlington Drive for the past ten years. His house is located in a good section of Metairie. His age in 1935 was fifty-six and this record indicates he is married. He has been employed as a solicitor for Bloodworth, Grasser & Desseuer, Inc., insurance company, for about six years. He was formerly employed by other insurance companies in New Orleans. ZIEGLER is well recommended and reputed to have good morals, character and habits. His income is indicated to be about \$65.00 or \$70.00 a month. This record indicates that his wife is a nurse for DR. W. A. WAGNER and has an income of about \$100.00 per month. ZIEGLER owns a home, which is mortgaged with the Home Owners Loan Corporation.

NO. 20

CHARLES A. FARWELL

The 1935 city directory indicates CHARLES A. FARWELL, president of Milliken & Farwell, Inc., residing at 1831 Napoleon Avenue. This directory also indicates that ALLEN R. FARWELL is vice-president of Milliken & Farwell. The 1938 city directory shows CHARLES A. FARWELL, wife EDNA, resides at 2311 Octavia Street and indicates that he is president of Milliken & Farwell, Inc. This directory shows the following officers of Milliken & Farwell: CHARLES A. FARWELL, president; F. EVANS FARWELL, vice-President; W. T. CONZALES, secretary-treasurer. This company, which is concerned with the sugar cane industry, is located at 1018 Whitney Building.

From the records of the New Orleans Retailers Credit Bureau it was learned that CHARLES A. FARWELL, JR., resides at 2311 Octavia Street, having previously lived at 2426 Prytanis and 1831 Napoleon Avenue. This record indicates that he has been president of the Milliken & Farwell Company since 1926. Credit record prepared on FARWELL dated November 10, 1938, indicates payments were good on open trade accounts and payments were also good on installment accounts. The file on FARWELL in this Bureau indicates that he is a native of New Orleans, having resided in this city for the past thirty-five years. He is married and his wife's name is given as EDNA STEWART and he has two children. This record shows he has good character, morals and habits. His annual income is stated at \$7,500.00 and his estimated worth is \$100,000.00. FARWELL is president and stockholder of a company which is engaged in operating sugar plantations. His company works five plantations, in which FARWELL has an interest. He comes from a wealthy and good family and considerable inheritance is expected. He has a home assessed at \$6,100.00, on which there are no mortgages. This credit record indicates that FARWELL'S wife has an income of about \$1,500.00 annually from money left by her father.

WARREN KEARNEY, Jury Commissioner, indicated that FARWELL'S estimated worth is considerable and he is an outstanding sugar planter. He stated that the juror is a member of the Republican party and regularly votes the Republican ticket. He knows FARWELL to be strongly opposed to the City ring.

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FRANK H. MORTIMER, former Jury Commissioner, indicated that FARWELL is of a large family of sugar merchants, owning large sugar plantations in the vicinity of New Orleans. He is an executive of Milliken & Farwell, sugar company in New Orleans, and is very prominent socially. He is a member of the Boston Club. MORTIMER stated that his views are definitely in opposition to the present political regime.

A. D. O'BRIEN, Clerk, U. S. District Court, stated that he is personally acquainted with FARWELL and that he and the juror were members of the New Orleans Academy Alumni Association and that juror is a well-known business man and, in his opinion, would make a very good juror for the Government. O'BRIEN stated that FARWELL is honest, very bright, fair-minded and absolutely reliable.

Confidential Informant indicated that this man is a very high-type individual and that he is a nephew of MRS. FARWELL, the well-known philanthropist. He stated that FARWELL is managing her plantation and that he has been given the ownership of her property under some sort of an arrangement which the informant stated he has not seen but that this juror will become the owner of those properties on her death. He indicated that FARWELL associates only with the highest-type of people in New Orleans, all of whom are anti-administrativists and, in his opinion, this gentleman would make an excellent juror.

NO. 21

C. T. SEILER

Assistant United States Attorney HERBERT W. CHRISTENSEN has informed an Agent of this Division that this juror is deceased.

A note in the files of the New Orleans Retailers Credit Bureau indicates CORNELIUS T. SEILER, SR., local freight agent of the I. C. Railroad Company, died on May 23, 1937.

NO. 22

CHARLES B. McGUIRE

Assistant United States Attorney HERBERT W. CHRISTENSEN has likewise informed an Agent of this Bureau that MR. McGUIRE is now deceased and a newspaper clipping contained in the files of the New Orleans Retailers Credit Bureau indicates BERNARD McGUIRE, residing at 2217 Adams Street, died February 5, 1939.

NO. 23

W. E. FROLICH

There is no record of this individual appearing in either the 1935 or 1938 city directories. The telephone address directory lists the Industrial Electric Company in business at 3227 Magazine Street. It is to be noted that this is the address indicated for this juror. The 1938 directory indicates that the following persons are officers of the Industrial

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Electric Company: E. M. BRIGNAC, president; P. M. BRIGNAC, vice-president; JOSEPH A. BRIGNAC, secretary-treasurer. This concern is engaged in work as electrical engineers and contractors.

The records of the New Orleans Retailers Credit Bureau show that a MORITZ E. FROLICH under date of May, 1939, was employed by the Industrial Electric Company. The most current address on this record, which was May, 1939, is 743 St. Charles Avenue which, it is to be noted, is a rooming house. Former addresses indicated are 1225 St. Charles Avenue, which is the Audubon Hotel, and also Mobile, Alabama. Record prepared December 15, 1933, appearing in this file indicates FROLICH is thirty-eight years old and is married. This record indicates he had been residing in New Orleans for the past three months and that at that time he was unemployed. It also indicates that FROLICH is a graduate lawyer but there is no indication that he has practiced this profession since his graduation. His wife is known to reside in Mobile, Alabama. The landlords who were contacted in this city spoke well of this individual but were able to afford little financial information. They indicated that FROLICH receives checks from Mobile, Alabama, from time to time. He was known to have no business connection at the date of this report.

A. D. O'BRIEN stated that this juror has been excused by reason of the fact that he is not a competent juror. FROLICH is reported to have a criminal record, according to information furnished to Special Agent J. O. PEYRONNIN by United States Attorney RENE A. VIOSCA and MR. O'BRIEN.

NO. 24

J. B. LINDSEY

MR. LINDSEY'S address is given as Bogalusa, Louisiana, and he is not listed in either the 1935 or 1938 city directories.

Information afforded by the files of the New Orleans Retailers Credit Bureau indicates a L. B. LINDSLEY who resides in Bogalusa, Louisiana, president of the Washington Bank in that city. Credit report of L. B. LINDSLEY dated April 20, 1939, gives a credit rating of very good. Additional information prepared April 14, 1937, indicates L. B. LINDSLEY has been a resident of Bogalusa, Louisiana, for the past twenty-five years. At that time he was fifty-five years old, was married and wife's name was EDITH; he has no children. MR. LINDSLEY was formerly cashier of the Washington Bank and has been president of this bank for the past twenty-five years. His reputation, morals and character are regarded as excellent. At this time MR. LINDSLEY was receiving a salary of \$5,000.00 and had an additional income from investments of approximately \$2,500.00 per year. His estimated worth is \$25,000.00. Resources of the Washington Bank are nearly \$1,000,000.00. MR. LINDSLEY owns his own home and several other pieces of property. Information furnished by Special Agent T. F. WILSON indicates that he was familiar with a P. W. LINDSEY of Bogalusa, Louisiana, and believes that he might be a brother to L. B. LINDSEY. P. W. LINDSEY is the co-owner of the Knight Lincoln Motor Company in Bogalusa and is also believed to be an officer of the Washington Bank. He knows this bank to be one of two banks in Bogalusa and believes it to be in good condition financially.

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A. D. O'BRIEN stated that he does not know this juror but that this juror came in to see Judge BORAH on the morning of November 17, 1939, and was excused until December 4, 1939. MR. O'BRIEN informed that from information which he heard concerning this juror it was indicated that he is engaged in some sort of banking activities in Bogalusa, Louisiana.

NO. 25

G. F. SOUDERES

The 1935 city directory shows GEORGE F. SOUDERES, Department Manager of Woodward, Wight & Company, Ltd., and that he resides at 4210 Cadiz Street. Information in the 1938 city directory shows SOUDERE'S wife's name to be LAURA. This directory also indicates that the following named persons are officers of Woodward, Wight & Company, Ltd.: LAWRENCE C. DECHBAR, first vice-president; HARRY S. POND, second vice-president; W. SIMPSON JONES, third vice-president; RUFUS V. LEA, secretary. This concern handles hardware, mill machinery and contractors supplies and is located on the corner of Howard and Constance Streets.

The records of the New Orleans Retailers Credit Bureau indicate that GEORGE F. SOUDERES is a salesman for Woodward, Wight Company, having been employed by that concern for fifteen years, which report was dated September, 1937, at a salary of \$200.00 a month. This record indicates former addresses of SOUDERES to be 3301 Magnolia; 2100 Milan; 4522 Rochefort Street. His credit record is indicated as fair. There is no additional information available in these files.

NO. 26

WILLIAM J. HARDIN

The 1935 city directory indicates WILLIAM J. HARDIN, president of Marshal J. Smith & Company, Ltd., residing at 1415 Webster Street. The 1938 city directory indicates similar information and, in addition, shows that Marshal J. Smith & Company is agents for Lloyds of London, doing business at 339 Carondelet Street. Officers of the Marshal J. Smith & Company are WILLIAM J. HARDIN, president, JOHN P. CASEY, vice-president; W. LORING PERCERSON, vice-president; and GEORGE P. MORENO, secretary.

Records of the New Orleans Retailers Credit Bureau show WILLIAM J. HARDIN is president of Marshal J. Smith Company, which is agent for Lloyd. They indicate HARDIN'S former address to be 1433 Pleasant Street. One report prepared June 6, 1931, indicates HARDIN'S age as fifty-seven, he is married and has grown children. He has been connected with Smith Company for over thirty years and has a substantial salary income. This record shows that HARDIN owns his own home, personal means. The record shows that his social and business are good. This record also states that HARDIN derives much from connections and is in comfortable financial circumstances. record is good.

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FRANK H. MORTIMER indicated that HARDIN is head of Marshal J. Smith, insurance agency, and also agente for Lloyd of London. MORTIMER knows him to be very prominent socially and believes him to have no political alignments. He is thought to be in opposition to the present political regime.

WARREN KEARNEY indicated that HARDIN has been engaged in the insurance business for many years in this city and that he stands very high socially and in the business world.

NO. 27

THOMAS E. GRINNEN

The 1935 city directory indicates THOMAS E. GRINNEN, manager, J. S. Bachs & Company, and his address is listed at 1326 Fern Street. This information appears in the 1938 directory and, in addition, indicates his wife's name as LOUISE. This directory also shows that J. S. Bachs & Company deals in stocks and bonds and is managed by JOSEPH P. HENICAN, JR., and THOMAS E. GRINNEN.

Records of the New Orleans Retailers Credit Bureau indicate THOMAS E. GRINNEN formerly resided at the following addresses: 8419 Spruce Street and 1921 Dante Street. This record shows that he is a partner of Gibart, Henican, Grinnen & Company, located in the New Orleans Cotton Exchange Building. His credit rating is indicated as good. In a report dated January 31, 1935, it is indicated that GRINNEN is a native of New Orleans; that he is approximately forty-eight years old; that he is married and has two or three children. At this date the record indicated he had been a partner of the above firm for about two years. His character, habits and morals are good. He is also thought to have a good reputation. This record shows GRINNEN has been identified with the cotton business for many years. The firm of which he is a member is looked upon as representing \$100,000.00 and it is believed that GRINNEN receives substantial income from other sources. Record indicates that on May 15, 1931, he purchased property in the Seventh District in the amount of \$8,365.00 cash.

Information furnished by A. D. O'BRIEN indicated that he does not know this juror but stated that the firm with which this juror is associated is, in his opinion, a very reputable concern. MR. O'BRIEN indicated that he knows a MR. HENICAN, a member of the firm with which the juror is associated, and that MR. HENICAN has a brother who is an attorney practicing law in New Orleans. MR. O'BRIEN stated that he does not know anything of the background of the HENICANS.

FRANK H. MORTIMER indicated GRINNEN is in the cotton business of HENBERT C. CLAY. He is known to be very reliable and of considerable means. He indicated GRINNEN is a self-made man and not particularly socially prominent. He is not known to have any political connections.

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The 1938 City directory indicates PETER HOFFARTH, JR., underwriter for Pan-Am Life Insurance Company, and that he resides at 2214 Adams Street. This information is also indicated in the 1938 directory and, in addition, it indicates that his wife's name is NETTIE and that the following named are officers of the Pan-Am Life Insurance Company, located at 228 St. Charles Street: CRAWFORD H. ELLIS, president; EDWARD G. EDAMS, ex-vice-president and general manager; EUGENE J. MCGIVNEY, vice-president and general counsel; DR. MARION SOUCHON, vice-president and medical director; FRIEND W. GLEASON, vice-president and secretary; REYNOLD C. VOSS, assistant medical director; FRANZ HENDERMAN, treasurer; HARRY W. BACHER, auditor; JALEN Y. RUDDOCH, vice-president and actuary; and E. P. PATTERSON, cashier. This directory shows that PETER HOFFARTH, SR., resides at 304 Cherokee Street.

The records of the New Orleans Retailers Credit Bureau indicate HOFFARTH, JR.'S present address on July 1, 1939, as 140 Metairie Lawn. Former addresses of HOFFARTH are given as 2214 Adams, 3322 General Taylor and 304 Cherokee. His occupation is indicated as insurance underwriter for the Pan-Am Life Insurance Company, located in the Whitney Building. Report of May 10, 1938, indicates credit rating good. Report of June 10, 1931, indicates HOFFARTH is about thirty-three years of age, married and having no dependents. It indicates he has been with the Pan-Am Insurance Company for twelve years with a salary and commissions amounting to \$2,000.00 to \$2,500.00 a year. He is a native of New Orleans and has been in the employ of the above concern since reaching his majority. He is well spoken of and has a good reputation.

The 1935 city directory shows JOHN L. VICARI, wife ELSIE M., as a teller, Whitney National Bank, residing at 1217 Lesseps Street. This information is also indicated in the 1938 directory. In addition, the 1938 directory shows that PAUL VICARI is associated with the New Orleans Police Department and resides at 2525 Art Street. This is indicated inasmuch as he may be a relative of JOHN L. VICARI. This directory also shows that WILLIAM H. KUMFORD resides at 1217 Lesseps Street.

Credit record of the New Orleans Retailers Credit Bureau of May 26, 1939, gives the rating of good for JOHN L. VICARI. This shows that he is employed by the Whitney Bank and gives a former address at 1637 St. Roch Street. There is no additional information in the file of this Bureau.

A. D. O'BRIEN indicated that he knows this person to be a teller in the Savings Department of the Whitney National Bank.

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NO. 30

F. H. DINGHAUS

The 1935 city directory shows FRED H. DINGHAUS, with occupation as salesman, residing at 4215 Freret Street. The 1938 directory shows this individual is employed as Departmental Manager of E. C. Palmer & Company. It shows that his wife's name is ETHEL K. Also indicated as residing at 4215 Freret Street is RAY DINGHAUS. Officers of the E. C. Palmer & Company, Ltd., are WALTER G. CLEVELAND, president; ASHBY D. CLEVELAND, vice-president; and CHARLES SPROTT, secretary. It indicates that this company does business at 517 Lafayette Street and is engaged in paper-type pressure printing supplies.

The records of the New Orleans Retailers Credit Bureau show that F. H. DINGHAUS has been residing at 4215 Freret since November, 1933. His former addresses are listed at 3111 Jena, 2516 Jena and 2414 Valance. This record shows he is a salesman for E. J. Palmer Company. Credit report of September 13, 1939, shows this individual has several small open accounts and also several installment accounts with payment good. There is no additional information in the files of this association.

A. D. O'BRIEN stated that he is acquainted with this juror and that he has every reason to believe he would make a favorable and impartial juror. O'BRIEN has always found this man to be a decent sort of individual and he knows him to be in the employ of E. C. Palmer & Company and is the salesman or person in charge of the type and machinery department of that concern. MR. O'BRIEN stated he would be willing to accept him as a juror at any time.

NO. 31

E. J. FLEMING, SR.

The city directory for 1935 shows EDWARD J. FLEMING, clerk, residing at 1717 Bayou Road. The 1938 directory shows EDWARD J. FLEMING, SR., residing at 1729 Bayou Road. Also, it indicates that JOHN W. HOOGERWERF is a sea captain residing at 1729 Bayou Road.

The records of the New Orleans Retailers Credit Bureau show EDWARD JOHN FLEMING, SR., is employed by the old Registration Office, City Hall; his present address is indicated as 1717 Bayou Road, with former addresses at 720 First Street; 3933 Toulouse; and 710 Bayou Road. Credit records dated in 1932 and 1934 indicate FLEMING has numerous small accounts with various ratings. In some instances credit was good; in other cases, credit was refused. This record shows a small claim by JOSEPH BEVINETTO outstanding in February, 1933; also, a \$60.00 claim outstanding in favor of Commercial Discount Company in April, 1934. His age is given as fifty-five; he is married and has a salary of approximately \$145.00 a month. The date of this information is not given.

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The 1935 city directory shows FOLWELL A. LEGENDRE connected with the firm of THOMAS HOBSON and LEGENDRE and that he resides at 1424 Louisiana Avenue. The 1938 directory shows LEGENDRE residing at the DeSoto Hotel. This directory also indicates that JOHN B. HOBSON, JR., and FOLWELL A. LEGENDRE are cotton brokers located at 308 Mason Building, 318 Carondelet Street.

Records of the New Orleans Retailers Credit Bureau show that this individual had addresses at 424 Louisiana Avenue, 1515 Marengo and 12 Audubon Place. In this report it shows that he is connected with Donald Maginnis & Company located at 402 Cotton Exchange Building. Records show several small open accounts from 1933 to 1937 with payments good. There is no additional information in the files on this individual.

WARREN KEARNEY indicated that LEGENDRE is very prominent socially. He knows that he has been connected with the steamship line business for a considerable period and that he has no known political connections. MR. KEARNEY believes that this individual would make a favorable juror for the Government.

FRANK H. MORTIMER indicated that this individual is in the cotton business and is of a very prominent family and has a high social position. He has no known political connections.

The 1935 city directory shows ALONZO M. WEST, JR., connected with the firm of McFadden & West and residing at 3600 Versailles Boulevard. The 1938 directory shows ALONZO M. WEST, JR., wife ANNE B., residing at 3508 Versailles Boulevard, engaged in the cotton brokerage business. ALONZO M. WEST, SR., is manager of McFadden & West, cotton brokers, 819 Gravier Street.

Record of the New Orleans Retailers Credit Bureau shows this individual as residing at 3508 Versailles Boulevard and indicates former addresses at 1570 Henry Clay, 1316 Calhoun, 1833 Coliseum, 1015 Audubon and 3600 Versailles. He is shown to be a partner of McFadden & West. A credit account prepared September 18, 1939, shows that his record is generally good. It indicates that he has not made any loans or applied for any type of financing. Record prepared May 8, 1939, indicates A. M. WEST, JR., is a native of New Orleans, age forty-four, wife's name ANNE BOYD, and that he has two children. He has been a partner of McFadden & West since 1925 and he was formerly assistant manager in C. E. McFadden and Company. His character and reputation are indicated as good. His estimated income is \$10,000.00 a year. He owns a home at 3508 Versailles Boulevard, which he purchased in May, 1932, and paid out approximately \$7,000.00 cash and assumed a mortgage of \$10,000.00

in favor of the Standard Bond and Mortgage Company. This property is assessed at \$14,000.00 value. His investment in McFadden & West is approximately \$20,000.00. This record also shows that he has additional investments in the Barclay Compress Company. His estimated worth is \$100,000.00.

FRANK H. MORTIMER indicated that A. M. WEST, JR., is in the cotton business with McFadden & West. He has no known political connections and is of modest circumstances and social position.

WARREN KEARNEY indicated that MR. WEST is the son of the foremost cotton broker in New Orleans and his reputation is very high in this city. He believes that WEST has no political connections.

Confidential Informant stated that he is personally acquainted with MR. WEST and that he recently lunched with him at the Boston Club. He indicated that this gentleman is an excellent citizen and that he takes very little interest in discussing politics and believes that this individual would make an excellent juror.

NO. 34

JOSEPH M. FORNARIS

The 1935 city directory indicates JOSEPH M. FORNARIS resides at 5209 Pitt Street. Also indicated as residing at this address is JOSEPH M. FORNARIS, JR., who is employed as a bookkeeper. The 1938 city directory indicates JOSEPH M. FORNARIS, wife ALMA, no occupation given. JOSEPH S. FORNARIS, residing at the above address, is employed as a credit man and ASHTON F. FORNARIS, also of the same address, is employed at a filling station located at 8670 Ponchartrain Boulevard.

Records of the New Orleans Retailers Credit Bureau show that JOSEPH M. FORNARIS, JR., resides at 5209 Pitt Street and is employed by the Shell Petroleum Company. His credit record of February, 1939, indicates several small open accounts with a few accounts past due. Payments unsatisfactory. Credit record on installment accounts and personal loan and auto finance indicates good payments. The credit record appearing in this file on JOSEPH M. FORNARIS, SR., who resides at 5209 Pitt Street, indicates he is in the importing and exporting business and indicates his home address as his business address. Report of April, 1938, indicates wife ALMA FOSTALL. Record shows that FORNARIS is a native of New Orleans, fifty-five years old, that he is married and his wife is the only dependent. Record shows that he has been in the importing and exporting business for himself for over thirty years. His character, habits and morals are good. This person operated as J. M. FORNARIS & Company from 1913 to 1918 and in the latter year discontinued that style. He later went in business under his own name and for a period of time he was successful but for the past six or seven years has been dependent on children who live at home and support the family. He owns property which is mortgaged to the HOLC in the amount of approximately \$8,000.00, which loan is dated July 1, 1934. Credit record shows two accounts given to collection department for poor payments. Payments on a personal loan in 1937 were good.

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Information furnished by FRANK E. MORTIMER indicates that this individual is very prominent socially and that he was formerly connected with the insurance business but that his present occupation is unknown. MR. MORTIMER stated that he was not politically active or connected. This information is set out but from the record of the New Orleans Retailers Credit Bureau, it is believed that these persons are not identical.

NO. 33

S. G. FLASPOLLER

This individual is not listed in the 1935 city directory. The 1938 directory shows SIDNEY G. FLASPOLLER, wife MONNANES, residing at 2723 Jefferson Avenue. No occupation is given.

Records of the New Orleans Retailers Credit Bureau show that this individual has resided at 2723 Jefferson Avenue since September, 1934. He also resided at 1771 North Broad in April, 1933, and other addresses indicated are 2723 Peter Street, 1407 Napoleon Avenue, 1312 Louisiana Avenue and 5308 Pryans. Credit record indicates several small open accounts with good payments in 1937. There is no additional information in the files on this individual.

NO. 36

PHIL J. FELDNER

The 1935 city directory indicates J. PHIL FELDNER, occupation sign painter, in business at 525 Poydras and residing at 813 Milan Street. The 1938 directory indicates J. PHIL FELDNER, wife ANTOINETTE, sign painter, and residing at 4116 Annunciation Street. Also as a possible relative, this directory indicates HENRY C. FELDNER, a deputy clerk, First City Court, residing at 7817 Pancel. Also indicated as in business at FELDNER'S business address is Stewart & Company and Gus Pitard & Sons, both of whom are manufacturing agents.

Records of the New Orleans Retailers Credit Bureau show that JOHN PERIL FELDNER is a sign painter and former addresses are given as 813 Milan; 1436 Sixth Street; 326 Poydras; 2319 Valence; and in October, 1938, 8416 Ollander. His credit rating is indicated as good. There is no additional information concerning this individual.

NO. 37

GEORGE W. UNRUH, JR.

The 1935 city directory shows GEORGE W. UNRUH, accountant, residing at 337 Pine Street. The 1938 directory indicates this individual as an accountant employed by Haskins & Sells and residing at 1917 Calhoun. HENRY J. JUNIORVILLE is resident partner of Haskins & Sells, located in the Hibernia Bank Building. Also indicated as residing at 1917 Calhoun Street is GEORGE S. RAPIER.

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Records of the New Orleans Retailers Credit Bureau indicate GEORGE WALKER UNRUH, JR., is an accountant and formerly resided in Mobile, Alabama. Credit report prepared November 25, 1933, by the Mobile Merchants Company and in the files of the New Orleans Credit Bureau shows that credit record on open account was paid satisfactorily. Also it is indicated that he is single, twenty-seven years old and the son of GEORGE W. UNRUH, SR., a realtor. Record shows that GEORGE UNRUH, JR., was at one time employed with his father. His father is assessed at about \$21,500.00 on real estate holdings and his family is well-regarded in Mobile, Alabama. A New Orleans credit report prepared July 12, 1938, indicates his age as thirty-one, married, employed by firm of Haskins & Sells since 1935 at a salary of \$200.00 a month. This person is well-regarded and has a good reputation. Payment on several small open accounts and on personal loans was good.

NO. 38

J. G. SWARBICK

The 1935 city directory shows JAMES G. SWARBICK residing at 2509 Napoleon Avenue. The 1938 directory gives similar information and, in addition, shows that SWARBICK is employed as a clerk for the City of New Orleans. It also indicates that ALBERT H. SLAT resides at 2509 Napoleon Avenue and that PATRICK E. BURKE is located at 2006 Canal Street, which is the indicated address of the juror in the list submitted by the United States Attorney. Records of the New Orleans Retailers Credit Bureau show that JAMES G. SWARBICK is employed in the State tax office, residing at 2509 Napoleon Avenue in 1933 and formerly residing at 2006 Canal and 233 North Roman. Credit record indicates good payment on two open accounts in 1932 and 1933; also good payment on an auto finance. Record with bank shows that his account carried four figures.

FRANK H. MORTIMER indicated that this individual is employed in the assessors office at the City Hall and that he is very closely aligned to the present political regime.

NO. 39

LOUIS E. OSTER

The 1935 city directory shows LOUIS E. OSTER, salesman, residing at 3530 Cantilly Road. The 1938 directory indicates OSTER residing at the same address, with wife MARIE, occupation given as salesman with the Marine Oil Company. Officers of the Marine Oil Company, Ltd., are WILLIAM O. LUDSON, president; HERBERT L. WASSON, vice-president; GEORGE J. WHITMAN, secretary; MISS BETTY CAUSE, JR., treasurer. This company is indicated as doing business at 1523 St. Charles Avenue. It also indicates that there is a filling station at this address.

Records of the New Orleans Retailers Credit Bureau indicate LOUIS E. OSTER is a salesman for the U. S. Fire Company at 2200 St. Charles. It indicates that he is presently residing at 3530 Cantilly Road, with former addresses at 2110 North Claiborne; 2136 St. Roch; 3603 Delgado; 1040 North Can; 1735 St. Anthony; and 2110 North Claiborne. In a report prepared on

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OSTER dated September 2, 1937, it is indicated that he has been known in the files of this Bureau since 1929 and that he is a native of New Orleans and resides in a good section of the city. His age is forty-one, married and his wife is his only dependant. He has been sales manager of U. S. Tire Company since 1935, former occupation being the L. E. Oster Tire Service, 2100 St. Charles Avenue. This person is competent, capable, well-regarded and possesses a good reputation. His earnings are listed at \$200.00 a month. In June, 1935, there was a mortgage on some property in the Third District of Gentilly owned by OSTER to the HOLC. Other property owned by OSTER mortgaged to the Wisteria, Clematis Insurance Company is in the amount of about \$10,000.00. Also, some property is mortgaged to JOHN L. OSTER in the amount of \$9,000.00. Credit record of May, 1939, indicates payment good on several small open accounts; also, good payments on installment and personal loan accounts.

Assistant United States Attorney HERBERT W. CHRISTENBERRY advised that he knows a man by the name of C. G. HAMMER who is a brother of C. A. HAMMER who married an OSTER girl, probably of the same family as the juror. C. G. HAMMER is employed in the Recorder's Court, City of New Orleans, and is closely affiliated with the present political administration.

NO. 40

HERMAN E. WUNDER, SR.

The city directory for 1936 shows HERMAN E. WUNDER occupied as a clerk, residing at 7114 South Claiborne Avenue. The 1933 directory does not list a HERMAN E. WUNDER, SR. There is a HERMAN E. WUNDER, JR., listed, wife, WINIFORD; clerk, Federal Reserve Bank; residing at 235 Metairie Lawn. This directory also indicates that FRANK C. GOUGH resides at 1629 Broadway, which is WUNDER'S address as given in the list afforded by the United States Attorney.

In the records of the New Orleans Retailers Credit Bureau HERMAN E. WUNDER, JR., is employed by the Federal Reserve Bank as custodian. His present address is indicated as 235 Metairie Lawn, former addresses at 1114 South Claiborne; 325 St. Patrick; 4114 Canal; and 1627 Jackson Avenue. In a credit report prepared October 19, 1935, it is indicated that this person was a native of New Orleans, thirty-five years old and married. He has been employed in his present position since July 27, 1933, at a salary of \$140.00 per month. He was previously employed as a clerk with the Canal Bank for eight years. This person has a good reputation and is competent and reliable, according to previous employers. His wife is employed as a stenographer with the Southern Bell Telephone Company and has been in this position since 1915, with a salary of approximately \$110.00 per month. There is no indication of additional income nor any record of real estate held by H. E. WUNDER, JR. Credit record for 1933 shows fair payment on several small open accounts, with good payment on installment accounts. Credit record of HERMAN WUNDER, SR., of this association indicates that he is employed as a cutter with Godchaux Clothing Company located at 2001 St. Bernard Street. He has been residing at 2105 Broadway since November, 1935, with previous addresses at 4114 Canal; 124 North David; 2112 Tulane Avenue. Notes appearing in this file indicate individual has been employed

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as a cutter for Godechaux Clothing Company for thirty-five years at \$40.00 per week. He has no real estate or any additional income. A note also indicates that he has grown children with no dependents and that his wife died December, 1932. It is indicated that he has good ability and is highly regarded. Credit record on several small accounts indicates good payment.

NO. 41

ALBERT DAZET

The 1935 city directory shows ALBERT DAZET residing at 1232 Frenchmen. Also, ALBERT DAZET is indicated to be in the ice business at 3102 Toulouse Street. A third ALBERT J. DAZET is listed as Assistant Cashier, National Bank of Commerce in New Orleans and residing at 4531 Canal Street. The 1938 directory shows ALBERT DAZET, wife URSULA, is employed as Assistant Cashier, National Bank of Commerce, and resides at 7925 Birch Street. It also appears that PAUL W. DAZET is a clerk of the City Sewerage and Water Board and is a possible relative of ALBERT DAZET.

The file of the New Orleans Retailers Credit Bureau reflects ALBERT DAZET with previous addresses at 4531 Canal and 4553 Canal Street. In a credit report prepared July, 1937, it is indicated that he has been known in the files of this bureau since 1921. He is a native of New Orleans, resides in a good section, about fifty years old, been married twice and is at present married, his wife being his only dependent. He was formerly connected with the Canal Bank for a period of twelve years and this report indicates that he has been employed by the National Bank of Commerce for the past four years. He is considered a capable, competent individual. He is well-regarded and has a good reputation. He has a salary of \$3,000.00 a year. His worth is estimated at \$6,000.00 to \$8,000.00. In December, 1934, he purchased some property in the Second District of St. Marie, Toulouse, Waters and Decatur Streets, which is assessed at \$6,000.00. He also owns a lot in the Fourth District, square 54, valued at \$500.00. His credit record shows good payments on several small open accounts; also, good payment on small installment accounts.

FRANK H. MORRIMER indicated that MR. DAZET is Assistant Vice-President of the National Bank of Commerce and of modest circumstances and social position and that he has no political connections.

NO. 42

J. W. UNDERWOOD

The 1935 and 1938 city directories show JUNIUS T. UNDERWOOD manager of the Budget Finance Company, wife's name GRACE, resid' 1545 Phillips Street. It is also noted in the 1938 directory ALMA J. UNDERWOOD is a private secretary employed by the Governor Nichols and it is possible that she is a juror. The Budget Finance Company is located at 622 P

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The credit record at the New Orleans Retailers Credit Bureau shows that JUNIUS W. UNDERWOOD formerly resided in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, and also at 1507 Jefferson Street. This record indicates he is president and manager of Budget Finance Company, 1031 Canal Bank Building. In a credit report prepared September, 1933, it is indicated the wife's name is GRACE GRAHAM, he is a native of New Orleans, age thirty-two years, and he has one child. He has held his present position since June, 1934. He formerly worked for a period of five years as manager of the Globe Furniture Company in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. His character, reputation, habits and morals are unquestioned. Salary estimated at \$3,000.00 a year. His wife owns property 1545 Phillips Street, valued at \$5,000.00. MR. UNDERWOOD is the principal stockholder in the company where he is employed. This record indicates that he inherited some wealth from his grandfather and that his wife also has an independent income. It is noted in this record that he is interested in the Graham Oil Company, with offices in the Hibernia Bank Building, which company handles oil leases and royalties. In a suit filed in June, 1936, a small claim was placed against UNDERWOOD by MILTON M. KILIM. Paying record on several small open accounts is good.

FRANK H. MORTIMER indicated that UNDERWOOD is of the prominent family of UNDERWOODS in New Orleans and has a very high social standing. He is otherwise not known to MORTIMER.

Confidential Informant indicated that he has known UNDERWOOD since his school days and that this gentleman was reared by his grandfather, J. W. C. WRIGHT, who was the owner of the New Orleans Furniture and Manufacturing Company; that he married a MISS CHEQUELIN, of a splendid and reputable family. He stated that this individual's associates and friends are practically all anti-administrators and that he is presently engaged in loaning money and that, in his opinion, would make an exceptional juror.

A. D. O'BRIEN indicated that he is personally acquainted with this juror as he and the juror attended the same school. He knew this juror married a MISS GRACE GRAHAM of a fine reputable family. He believed that the juror is absolutely honest and reliable and would, in his opinion, make a fair and impartial juror.

NO. 43

C. P. BROWNE

The 1935 city directory shows CLARENCE P. BROWNE, salesman with Cadillac Motor Car Company, residing at 5524 Willow Street. The 1933 directory indicates BROWNE resides at the same address, wife IREMA, and that he was then employed by the Ponchartraine Motor Company as a salesman. This Motor Company is an Oldsmobile agency and WILLIAM J. WILKINSON, is president, and SIDNEY TREXONLEY, JR., secretary-treasurer, said company being located at 719 Baronne Street.

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Records of the New Orleans Retailers Credit Bureau show that CLARENCE P. BROWN formerly resided at 2609 Washington Avenue, 7015 Willow Street, 1804 St. Charles, 1629 Bordeaux, and 3020 Calhoun. He has been residing at the Willow Street address since October, 1933. Credit report prepared December 16, 1937, indicates BROWNE is known in the files for years; that he is a native of New Orleans and resides in a good residential section. His age is forty-nine, he is married and has two children, ages eighteen and twenty. He has been connected with the Ponchartraine Motors as a salesman since October, 1935; previously employed for five years by the Manoford Motor Company; also employed five years with the Cadillac Motor Company. He is a competent man, his family is well-regarded, his habits and morals are good. BROWNE also has a good reputation. Commissions amount to about \$10,000.00 a year and he has no additional income. His worth is estimated at \$500.00. BROWNE has several open accounts and installment accounts with a poor paying record, many of which were placed with collection agencies. A suit was brought by the Jackson Building and Loan Company in April, 1922, in the amount of \$5,200.00 against BROWNE. Record of other suits show March, 1922, for \$350.00 by LOUIS WORDSHIRE & Son; March, 1922, suit for \$25.75 by Kunaghan & Cordell; February, 1923, suit for \$131.00 by Maison Blanche; September, 1923, for \$56.00 by Hereford, Inc.; and May, 1930, for \$25.00 by Singer Sewing Machine Company. Credit record on several small open accounts and installment accounts is very poor. Two personal loans made in 1933 and 1936 show good payment.

NO. 44

FORD T. HARDY

The 1935 city directory indicates FORD T. HARDY, salesman, World Bottling Company, Ltd., residing at 2202 Peniston. The 1938 directory indicates HARDY, wife HELEN, vice-president Monteleone-Ibervills Garage, Inc., residing at 448 Millandon. Also indicated as possible relatives are S. J. T. HARDY, assistant general foreman, City Sewerage & Water Board, who resides at 3812 Gentilly, and WILLIAM HARDY, estimator for Caldwell Brothers & Hart, residing at 521 St. Marks.

The files of the New Orleans Retailers Credit Bureau reflect that FORD T. HARDY is the sales manager for the World Bottling Company and that he formerly resided at the following addresses: 1320 Octavia; 3692 Louisiana Avenue; 4308 Marshal Street; 4227 Elk; and 7018 South Claiborne. Information included in an undated report indicates HARDY has been known in their files for fifteen years. He is about thirty-one years old, married, with one child. He was formerly employed for three years as a manager in the Bond Department of Fenner & Beans. His character and habits are considered good. His net worth is approximately \$2,600.00, which represents savings and personal property; annual income is \$3,600.00. There is no other income indicated. HARDY is considered a capable, honest, and reliable person. Credit record indicates payments fair on several small open accounts with good payments on installment accounts and several loan and finance accounts.

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Confidential Informant indicates that this gentleman married the daughter of MR. HENRIQUES, formerly Assistant Attorney General in Admiralty in this city. He stated that HARDY is presently employed as a salesman for an alcohol distillery and that this man has a fine reputation and is entirely trust-worthy. He believes that HARDY would make a good juror.

NO. 45

H. P. TREPAGNIER

The 1935 city directory shows PAUL H. TREPAGNIER employed as machinist and residing at 3121 Banks Street. The 1938 directory indicates he is residing at the same address. His wife's name is ANNA and he is a foreman in his occupation. This directory also lists the following named persons who are possible relatives of the juror: HORACE E. TREPAGNIER, draftsman with Weiss, Dreyfous & Ssiforth, residing at 8616 Marks Street; DALTON H. TREPAGNIER, JR., Lt. Colonel, Louisiana National Guard; WALTER TREPAGNIER, JR., employed with the New Orleans Police Department, who resides at 1924 Thalia Street.

The records at the New Orleans Retailers Credit Bureau indicate an account of MRS. H. P. TREPAGNIER, of 3121 Banks Street, which was placed with a collection agency in the amount of \$3.00 in March, 1938.

There is no additional information available on this individual.

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NO. 46

JOHN R. LANCASTER

The 1935 city directory gives no listing for JOHN R. LANCASTER or any person by that name at the address 2311 Carondelet Street. However, there is a listing for JOHN LANCASTER at 2028 Clio. The 1938 city directory lists JOHN R. LANCASTER at 2311 Carondelet Street but gives no other information. This directory also lists AMANDA M. LANCASTER residing at 1721 Broadway, employed as Chief, Louisiana Insurance Commission. At the address 2311 Carondelet the directory lists MRS. ALICE REINECKE.

The records of the New Orleans Retailers' Credit Bureau have no information on JOHN R. LANCASTER at 2311 Carondelet, but there is a record for a J. P. LANCASTER, employee of the Dock Board, who has resided at the following addresses: 907 Camp Street, 4421 Iberville, 1018 Camp Street, 2831 Carondelet. The files of the credit bureau contain no credit report on this individual.

A. D. O'BRIEN, Clerk, United States District Court, Eastern District of Louisiana, advises that he does not know LANCASTER but is of the opinion that he is the brother of MISS ELIZABETH LANCASTER, Secretary to Circuit Court Judge RUFUS FOSTER. He believes that this man is about fifty years of age but knows nothing further concerning him.

Confidential Informant advises that he knows that this juror's sister is Secretary to Judge FOSTER of the Circuit Court of Appeals, and while he knows very little about this man he would not consider it advisable that he be used by the Government for a juror because of his knowledge of LANCASTER personally and his associates.

NO. 47

ALLISON OWEN

The 1935 city directory lists ALLISON OWEN, Secretary, Diboll and Owen, Ltd., residing at 1237 State Street. Also employed by Diboll and Owen is listed ALLISON OWEN, JUNIOR, an architect, residing at 1237 4th Street. The 1938 city directory lists ALLISON OWEN - wife, BLANCHE, architect, residing 1237 State Street; also 1601 Canal Bank Building. ALLISON OWEN, JUNIOR, is also listed as an architect residing at 1237 State Street. The directory lists no other persons occupying 1601 Canal Bank Building. There is a listing of ARTH OWEN, residing 1025 Tricou, employed by the New Orleans Police Department.

The records of the New Orleans Retailers' Credit Bureau reflect that ALLISON OWEN, SENIOR, architect, 1601 Canal Bank Building, has resided at 1916 Amelia, 1710 South Carrollton, 2613 Prytanis, and his present address of 1237 State Street. In a report dated November 8, 1930, his age

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is given as fifty-five, married, wife's name, BLANCHE POTTEUR; that he has no dependents, and that his children are grown. He has been an architect for thirty years and was a Colonel in the United States Army during the World War. His salary is considered substantial and he has other income than that derived from his profession. He owns a piece of real estate in the 6th District, Square 64, bounded by Bloomingdale, Perrier, Pyramia, and State Street, assessed at \$7,500.00. On December 3, 1928, he purchased from MICHAEL CAHN a piece of property in the 4th District, Square 89, bounded by Tchoupitoulas, Philip, Rosseau and Jackson Streets, for \$1,250.00 cash and a mortgage of \$30,000.00. On July 18, 1936, he purchased from ANTHONY MARURO a piece of property in the 2nd District, Square 80, bounded by Chartres, Mathine, Royal and Governor Nichols, for \$300.00 and a mortgage of \$10,000.00. The report indicates that his social and business reputation is excellent; that he has had no domestic trouble and has never been in bankruptcy. "Remarks" in this report reflect that ALLISON OWEN, SENIOR, is one of the most prominent architects in the South and has a very substantial income from his profession. During the War he was Commander of the Washington Artillery bearing the rank of Colonel and presently holds rank of Major General in the United States Army Reserves. Both OWEN and his wife are members of a very prominent social group and of prominent social organizations in New Orleans society. He is stated to represent considerable financial responsibility and has a very favorable paying record. A trade clearance on ALLISON OWEN, SENIOR, was made January 19, 1939, reflecting accounts in department and clothing stores, all of which report years of experience and good payment.

The records of the New Orleans Retailers' Credit Bureau also reflect that ALLISON OWEN, JUNIOR, is an architect, residing at 1237 State Street, and a credit report dated June 26, 1934, indicates his wife as the former MISS BARTEE; that he is thirty-eight to forty years of age and has no other dependents than his wife; that he has been an architect for a number of years and had no previous employment. His competency, character, reputation and employer's opinion are given as good. His estimated income is \$120.00 per month and he is of nominal worth. "Remarks" in this report reflect that he is the son of General ALLISON OWEN, SENIOR, graduate of Tulane University, and that he has been connected with his father's firm as an architect, but was appointed a supervisor for a WPA project at Camp Beauregard at a salary of \$150.00 per month. He has no personal means but his father and his wife's family are well-to-do financially. On February 15, 1936, a judgment of reparation was entered from his wife. Trade experience indicates open accounts during 1935-38, with a fair paying record.

FRANK H. WORTIMER, former Jury Commissioner, advised that ALLISON OWEN, SENIOR, is one of the outstanding architects in the country, and very prominent in military circles in this section, having the rank of General; that he is also very prominent socially in New Orleans, but is not known to have any particular political connections.

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WARREN KEMNEY, present Jury Commissioner, advised that ALLISON OWEN is one of the outstanding citizens in New Orleans and is also a high-class architect; that he was awarded the Times-Picayune loving cup as a leading figure in the Roman Catholic Church. He is considered to be quite old and it is possible, due to the infirmities of his age, he may not be an acceptable juror.

NO. 48

WILLIAM PORTER

The 1935 city directory reflects WILLIAM PORTER presently residing at 2819 Danneel Street. The 1938 directory gives the same information and that his wife's name is OLIVIA M. There is no other person given as residing at 2819 Danneel.

The records of the New Orleans Retailers' Credit Bureau indicate that PORTER has formerly lived at 2819 South Rampart, prior to his residence at 2819 Danneel. His employment is given as an employee of a printing shop and the file contains no credit report. A trade clearance made August 17, 1939, reflects only three installment accounts, two of which have a poor paying record and the other, a jewelry account, indicates a good paying record.

No other information is available regarding this juror.

NO. 49

GUY A. PARKER

The 1935 city directory has no listing for GUY A. PARKER but lists a GUY G. PARKER, chauffeur for the United States Engineers, and a GUY R. PARKER, district manager for the Singer Sewing Machine Company, 7709 Panola. The 1938 city directory has no listing for GUY A. PARKER. Telephone address directory lists a Parker Grocery Store on East End, Jefferson Parish. The records of the New Orleans Retailers' Credit Bureau reflected that GUY ALLEN PARKER has formerly lived at 6607 Canal Boulevard, 7163 West End Boulevard, 6666 Avenue A, 38th Street and Avenue A, 820 Lemanche, and presently resides at 38th Avenue, Rural Route 5, East End, Jefferson Parish.

On January 20, 1925, the United Motor Company sued PARKER for \$75.55. On April 2, 1924, home was burned, at which time he was behind in payments with the Homestead Association. On January 10, 1929, the New Orleans Bank and Trust Company sued PARKER on claim for \$144.00. On March 19, 1929, the Crescent Cigar and Tobacco Company sued PARKER on a claim of \$159.53. On February 27, 1930, MRS. DOLORIS R. FARRELL sued PARKER on a claim for \$35.00. On July 16, 1930, L. F. RIDGE sued PARKER on a claim for \$9.80. On September 20, 1930, the Solar Studio, Inc., sued MRS. PARKER on a claim for \$21.20.

The credit report in the file, for which no date is given, reflects PARKER to be forty-five years of age, that he owns and operates a grocery store, with which he has been connected for five years. He has

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four dependents and is considered steady and progressive, has good character and honest and fair in his dealings, and lives within his income. He has had financial difficulties but has never been in bankruptcy. His net worth is estimated at \$2,000.00 and his estimated income is about \$1,500.00 annually. The "Remarks" in this report reflect that PARKER is conscientious and honest but negligent in regard to his financial affairs. That he applied to the Debt Moratorium Bureau for relief May 24, 1935, and was granted a stay and has paid off these debts. He has a small grocery business, is a hard worker, and just makes a living out of his business. His personal reputation and standing in his community are good, and the only property he owns is his store and personal effects. He does not own his home. His credit record indicates open accounts in small amounts with a fair paying record, one of which accounts was turned over for collection.

NO.50

VIC C. GONDOLPH

The 1935 city directory lists VICTOR GONDOLPH at 1625 2nd Street. The 1938 city directory lists a VICTOR J. GONDOLPH at 2029 Robert Street, wife - BLANCHE; employment - watchman City Sewerage and Water Board.

The records of the New Orleans Retailers' Credit Bureau reflect that VICTOR J. GONDOLPH is employed by the City Sewerage and Water Board; that he has formerly resided at 1706 South Dupre, St. Roche and General Taylor, General Ogden and Apricot Street, 3819 General Taylor, 4218 South Dorgenois, 2218 Peniston, 2200 Peniston, 2600 Washington Avenue, 2635 General Taylor, 2121 Cadiz, and his present address of 2029 Robert Street. The file contains no credit report. His credit experience from 1931-38 reflects several small open accounts, some of which are past due and one on which credit was refused. On August 22, 1931, a chattel mortgage was given to the Family Loan Company for \$300.00. On September 18, 1931, the Industrial Homestead Association sued GONDOLPH for \$9,623.37. On March 9, 1932, A. BALDWIN sued GONDOLPH for \$16.30. On July 18, 1935, The Liberty Homestead Association sued GONDOLPH for \$14,134.13. On July 21, 1937, the Prudential Life Insurance Company sued GONDOLPH for \$7,125.00. On July 27, 1938, the HOLC sued GONDOLPH for \$5,442.54. On August 8, 1938, the HOLC sued on a judgment for \$5,442.54 on property of GONDOLPH at Carondelet and St. Charles Avenue.

NO.51

JOSEPH ROSE

The 1935 city directory does not list a JOSEPH ROSE at 2415 LaSalle Street, but lists ASSURMA ROSE, maid; ARWILL S. ROSE, student; and THOMAS L. ROSE, shipping clerk, all of 2415 LaSalle Street. The 1938 city directory has no JOSEPH ROSE at 2415 LaSalle and gives THOMAS L. ROSE, porter, at that address. There are six JOSEPH ROSES listed in the 1938 city directory, however.

The records of the New Orleans Retailers' Credit Bureau reflect no information on JOSEPH ROSE at 2415 LaSalle Street, but this bureau has files on ADAM ROSE and THOMAS ROSE at 2415 LaSalle Street, both of whom are colored porters for COLEMAN E. ADLER and both have been formerly insurance collectors. This address is indicated as being in a colored neighborhood.

NO. 52

R. B. ESKRIGGE

The 1935 city directory lists ROBERT B. ESKRIGGE as residing at 1333 Webster Street, and as employed at R. B. Eskrigge and Company, Cotton Exporters, 806 Perdido. The 1938 city directory lists the same information with addition of the name of VIRGINIA as wife. At 806 Perdido the directory shows ROBERT B. ESKRIGGE and COMPANY, the Victory Oil Company, GUY L. DEANO, President, and Ferrier and Avegno, Cotton Exporters.

The New Orleans Retailers' Credit Bureau furnished a report dated April 4, 1930, on ROBERT B. ESKRIGGE, residing 1333 Webster Street, cotton exporter, connected with R. B. Eskrigge and Company. His age is given as fifty, is married, and has grown children. He is said to be a cotton exporter in New Orleans for many years and is a member of the New Orleans Cotton Exchange. His net worth is estimated from \$200,000.00 to \$300,000.00, and he has a very high credit rating. His residence at 1333 Webster Street is assessed at \$11,815.00 and is recorded in the name of his wife, being clear of encumbrances. He owns a piece of property in the 6th District, Square 49, Lots 1, 2 and 3, assessed at \$15,900. He has a very substantial income from his business and investments, and has an excellent reputation and is considered a successful cotton broker. The trade clearance made April 18, 1938, reflects several small open accounts with good payment record.

FRANK MORTIMER, former Jury Commissioner, advised that he knows this juror slightly; that he is in the cotton business, is considered a successful broker and has the reputation of being very wealthy. His father was a native of England and the family occupies a very prominent social position in New Orleans.

A. D. O'BRIEN, Clerk, United States District Court, advised he does not know ESKRIGGE personally but knows of his family; that this family is very reputable and well thought of in this community. Mr. O'BRIEN however knows the brother of the juror, TATUM S. ESKRIGGE, and two sisters, all of whom are considered very high type and reputable people.

WARREN KEARNEY, present Jury Commissioner, advised that he knows ESKRIGGE to be a retired cotton factor; that he is English by birth but it is not known whether he is presently an American citizen or not. He stands very high in social and business circles in the city.

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Confidential Informant advised that he has known MR. ESPRIGGEE for a number of years and that this man comes from a very excellent and reputable family, is a graduate engineer and now employed by the Celotex Company.

NO. 55

H. D. OGDEN

The 1935 city directory lists HILAIRE D. OGDEN, Special Agent, Union Central Life Insurance Company, 1648 Canal Bank Building, residence - 403 Hilary Street. At this address also is listed HILAIRE D. OGDEN, JUNIOR, physician. The 1938 city directory lists HILAIRE D. OGDEN at 403 Hilary Street, wife - LUCILLE, inspector, State Department of Revenue. HILAIRE D. OGDEN is also listed as a physician, 316 Union Building, residing at 394 Broadway. J. D. HILL OGDEN is listed as a crier for the civil district court, residing at 4214 Pyrtania.

It has been noted in a recent edition of the local newspapers that HILAIRE D. OGDEN, State Inspector, Internal Revenue, died.

The records of the New Orleans Retailers' Credit Bureau indicate a HENRY D. OGDEN, JUNIOR, residing at 394 Broadway, with former addresses of 4816 St. Charles Avenue, 1625 General Taylor, and 1930 State Street, and as a physician in the American Bank Building. A report on this physician dated August 21, 1937, reflected that he is a native of New Orleans, and has been known to the credit bureau since 1934; that he lives in a good section of town, age - 29 years, and single. He is in offices with DRS. OLIPHANT and FELDER. He started practicing in January 1937, having graduated from Tulane University, and spent two years in the Transient Hospital. He is considered competent, his reputation and morals, good, and habits and reliability are also indicated as good. His earnings approximate three to four thousand dollars per year. His mother is a widow of moderate means and he has no other income. A trade clearance made October 11, 1939, reflected several small open accounts, most of which are past due and with a fair payment record. Installment accounts, however, reflected a good payment record, and a personal loan account for \$330.00 in 1937 is given with good payment record.

FRANK H. MONTGOMERY advised that he read of HILAIRE D. OGDEN'S death in the morning local paper November 17, 1939; that if this is not the juror, his family is very prominent in New Orleans and any one of the family would be well regarded in the community.

MAURIN KENNELLY advised that HILAIRE D. OGDEN had recently died and is possibly the father of this juror; that he has no information regarding HILAIRE D. OGDEN, JUNIOR, other than that his father was very close to the present State administration.

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NO. 54

CHARLES N. ROTH, JUNIOR

The 1935 city directory lists a CHARLES N. ROTH as a clerk residing at 500 Lowerline. The 1938 city directory has no listing for CHARLES N. ROTH, JUNIOR, but lists fourteen ROTHs, initials beginning with "C", none of whom reside, however, at 6315 Barrett Street. This directory lists 6315 Barrett Street as vacant. The telephone address directory gives H. C. and H. T. FLEDDERMAN and MRS. ETHEL MARINAT at 6315 Barrett.

Records of the New Orleans Retailers' Credit Bureau contain a file on CHARLES N. ROTH with address in 1937 at 6315 Barrett Street, and present address, 607 South Parkview, Crowley, Louisiana, and as formerly residing at 500 Lowerline Street and 479 Broadway. His employment is given as Federal Land Bank, New Orleans. In a report dated July 25, 1935, CHARLES N. ROTH was listed as a native of New Orleans, living in an apartment house in a good section of town, aged, thirty-five married, with no children. His employment is indicated as State Manager of the Federal Land Bank since 1928, having been formerly employed by the Hibernia National Bank and Trust Company for seven years as a teller. His employers' opinion is good; habits, morals, character and reputation are also indicated as good. His estimated income is \$225.00 monthly. On February 10, 1936, he gave a mortgage to the Home Finance Service for \$300.00 on furniture. A trade clearance made December 12, 1935, reflects several small open accounts with clothing and department stores, with a good paying record.

NO. 55

J. C. OPLATEK

The 1935 city directory lists JAMES C. OPLATEK, clerk, Maison-Blanche Company, 2903 Constance Street. The 1938 city directory lists JOSEPH C. OPLATEK, clerk, Maison-Blanche Company; wife - CORBINE; residence 2903 1/2 Constance Street.

The records of the New Orleans Retailers' Credit Bureau reflect that JOSEPH C. OPLATEK is a druggist, residing in 1936 at 2903 Constance Street, with former addresses of 4117 Eden, 624 Front, Gretna, 1117 8th Street, and 1333 Ursuline. The file contains no credit report and the experience indicates fair paying record.

NO. 56

BEN Z. SIGALL

The 1935 city directory lists BEN Z. SIGALL as Assistant New Orleans Public Service, 1705 South Gayoso Street. The 1938 directory gives the same information with the addition of wife's address.

The records of the New Orleans Retailers' Credit BENJAMIN ZION SIGALL residing at 1705 South Gayoso Street

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addresses as 4209 South Rochambeau, 8801 Joseph, and employed as Assistant Engineer, New Orleans Public Service. On a credit report dated March 24, 1939, SEGALL was known in the files of the credit bureau since August 1922 and has been employed by the New Orleans Public Service since that time. His age is given as thirty-four, his dependents, wife and one child. His estimated salary is \$185.00 per month. He is stated to have good ability and has made good progress with the Public Service Company and his prospects for the future are favorable. Trade experience indicates good paying record.

NO.57

CALLANDER F. HADDEN

The 1935 city directory lists CALLANDER F. HADDEN, Secretary and Treasurer, Standard Supply and Hardware Company, Inc., 822 Tchoupitoulas Street, residing 4306 South Miro. The 1938 city directory has a similar listing. The Standard Supply and Hardware Company, Inc., lists WILLIAM K. DEPASS, President; JOHN W. KIDARREN, Vice-President; CALLANDER F. HADDEN, Secretary and Treasurer; business - oil well, mill and railway supplies.

The records of the New Orleans Retailers' Credit Bureau reflect the last address of CALLANDER F. HADDEN in 1934 as 4306 South Miro Street, with former addresses of Covington, Louisiana, and 14 Neron Place. His employment was listed as secretary and treasurer of the Standard Supply and Hardware Company, 812 Tchoupitoulas Street, since 1925. The file contains no credit report but "Remarks" on the record indicate he is well regarded and his habits and morals are considered good. His estimated income is about \$8,000.00 a year, and his estimated worth is \$75,000.00. He is a stockholder as well as an officer of the Standard Supply and Hardware Company and is the son of L. F. HADDEN, who, with a sister, MRS. M. A. REAU, inherited from their parents several pieces of down-town property in a commercial district. Dividends on the stock amount to about \$4,000.00 per year and he owns a home in Covington, Louisiana, in addition to his residence in New Orleans, which is valued at \$8,500.00, mortgaged for \$3,800.00 to the Prudential Life Insurance Company. A trade clearance made October 7, 1939, reflects several small open accounts with clothing and department stores, with a good paying record.

Confidential Informant advised that this juror is a member of the Louisiana Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, a patriotic organization; that his mother recently died at the age of eighty years and she was quite interested in patriotic work. Informant advised that while he does not know this juror but casually, he is of the opinion he would make a very high-grade juror.

NO.58

W. S. CALLANDER

The 1935 city directory lists WILSON S. CALLANDER, Publicity Secretary of the New Orleans Association of Commerce, residing at 3905 Carondelet Street. The 1938 city directory lists WILSON S. CALLANDER, and

wife, EDITH, Secretary, New Orleans Association of Commerce, residing at 1216 Short Street. H. VAN R. CHASE is given as General Manager of the New Orleans Association of Commerce, 315 Camp Street. No listing for 5216 Coliseum Street is given in this directory.

The records of the New Orleans Retailers' Credit Bureau indicate WILSON S. CALLENDER residing presently at 1216 Short Street; that he has formerly resided at 1526 Louisiana Avenue, 1510 Amelia Street, 3907 Carondelet Street, and at Bay St. Louis, Mississippi. His occupation is given as Publicity Secretary of the New Orleans Association of Commerce, 315 Camp Street. A credit report dated March 1, 1936, reflects that he is a native of New Orleans; that he has been living at his last address since 1935, is forty-two years of age, married, no children; that he has been employed for fifteen years by the New Orleans Association of Commerce, well regarded; habits, morals and character - good. His income is estimated to be \$400.00 per month. He owns a summer home in Bay St. Louis, Mississippi. Paying record considered to be good.

FRANK H. MORTIMER advised that he has known this man for years, personally; that he is Publicity Secretary of the New Orleans Association of Commerce; that he is thoroughly reliable and has a high character and very good reputation. He is not particularly socially prominent in New Orleans, and his political views are definitely opposed to those of the present State administration.

A. D. O'BRIEN advised that he knows CALLENDER only casually, and he believes that he is engaged in the insurance business; that CALLENDER, however, enjoys an excellent reputation and is well known in the community. It is the opinion of Mr. O'BRIEN that he would make a very capable juror.

WARREN KEARNEY advised that from his knowledge of CALLENDER he would make a very acceptable juror for the Government.

NO. 59

H. M. CROWMELL

The 1935 city directory lists HOWARD N. CROWMELL at 1701 Broadway. Also listed at that address is AMY V. CROWMELL, stenographer. The 1938 city directory lists HOWARD N. CROWMELL, wife - BESSIE, 1701 Broadway, occupation, chair maker.

The records of the New Orleans Retailers' Credit Bureau reflect that HOWARD N. CROWMELL is employed by the Well Made Chair Company, 3301 Conti Street, and no address other than 1701 Broadway is given. In a credit report dated June 10, 1936, CROWMELL was indicated as a native of New Orleans, having lived at his present address for a number of years. His age is given as thirty-six, married, wife being ELIZABETH MOBILLY, and has three children. The Well Made Chair Company is a medium-sized organization manufacturing chairs, where CROWMELL has been employed for a number

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of years. His habits, morals and character are given as good. He owns his home valued at \$15,000.00, mortgaged to the Prudential Life Insurance Company for \$10,500.00.

NO. 60S. J. DRAPEKIN

The 1935 city directory lists S. J. DRAPEKIN, Secretary, New Orleans Cold Storage and Warehouse Company, residing 1624 Napoleon Avenue. The 1938 city directory lists SOL J. DRAPEKIN, wife - BEULAH, Secretary and General Manager, New Orleans Cold Storage and Warehouse Company, residing 5510 St. Charles Avenue. The officers of the New Orleans Cold Storage and Warehouse Company listed in the directory are ALBERT MACKIN, President; GEORGE G. WESTFELDT, Vice-President; SOL J. DRAPEKIN, Secretary; and JOSEPH CHALONA, Treasurer, address 305 Calennie Street.

The records of the New Orleans Retailers' Credit Bureau indicate SOLOMON J. DRAPEKIN, Secretary of the New Orleans Cold Storage and Warehouse Company, as residing at 5510 St. Charles Avenue, former addresses 1624 and 1607 Napoleon Avenue. Report dated March 28, 1938, reflected his age as fifty-nine, married to BEULAH COHN, no children. He has been employed by the New Orleans Cold Storage and Warehouse Company for thirty years; estimated annual income of \$5,000.00. His reputation, morals and character considered good. Has a moderate interest in the concern for which he works, and owns no property. Wife is said to have an unknown income from means which she inherited from her family. The trade clearance on DRAPEKIN dated December 20, 1938, reflected several small open accounts with clothing, furniture and department stores, with a fair paying record. On August 1, 1938, E. L. CHAFFIUS sued DRAPEKIN for \$8,750.00. On July 4, 1930, he was in bankruptcy, with assets of \$53,319.00 and liabilities of \$72,393.49; discharged dated July 31, 1931.

FRANK H. MONTIMER advised that he is not personally acquainted with this man but knows he is Jewish, and head of the New Orleans Cold Storage and Warehouse Company.

NO. 61ALLEN MEHLE

The 1935 city directory lists ALLEN MEHLE, President of Allen Mehle Company, Inc., and Manager of the Mehle Insurance Agency, residing 1643 Foucher Street. Allen Mehle, Inc., is General Agent for the Atlantic and Pacific Underwriters, 423 Carondelet. The 1938 city directory lists ALLEN MEHLE, wife - HILDA B., with same occupation as shown in the 1935 directory, and residence as 223 Livingston Place, Metairie.

Records of the New Orleans Retailers' Credit Bureau reflect that ALLEN MEHLE formerly resided at 4144 St. Charles Avenue, 417 Royal Street, 1643 Foucher Street, and presently resides at 223 Livingston Place, Metairie. In report, undated, his age is given as sixty-five, married, no children. He has been President of Allen Mehle, Inc., since 1906;

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estimated annual income is from \$3,000.00 to \$7,000.00. He has been in business in New Orleans for forty-five years and at one time was very successful, having been worth in the neighborhood of \$50,000.00. He was a bankrupt in February 1935, with assets of \$12,895.51 and liabilities of \$16,149.39; discharge was dated January 30, 1936. Trade clearance dated March 6, 1939, shows he has several outstanding open accounts with clothing department and jewelry stores and doctors' bills, with a fair paying record, none of which accounts has been turned over for collection. On May 20, 1935, a mortgage was given to JOVITE CARR for \$7,999.78.

FRANK H. MORTIMER advised that this man has been in the insurance business for years and that he has had considerable wealth, and is quite prominent socially. His political views are known to be opposed to the present State administration, and he has taken no personal part in political activities.

WARREN KEARNEY advised that he is known to have been in the insurance business for years; that he stands high in this business, and he is believed to be the head of some charitable organization locally.

Confidential Informant advised that he is known to have been in the insurance business for a good many years in New Orleans; that he is a man in the late sixties, but is an excellent citizen and one willing to lay down his life for the freedom of suffrage; that during the days of honest election league this man was a ward captain and helped patrol the election with a gun. He is not affiliated with any political organization and would make an excellent juror.

NO.62

G. L. WILCOMBE

The 1935 city directory as well as the 1938 city directory gives no listing for this person.

The records of the New Orleans Retailers' Credit Bureau indicate that he is presently living in Ponchatoula, Louisiana, having formerly lived at Harvey, Louisiana. His occupation is given as Manager of the Joseph Rathbone Lumber Company, Ponchatoula, Louisiana. The credit bureau's file does not contain a credit report but the trade clearance made as of May 10, 1938, indicates a New Orleans trade experience from 1927 to 1938, with only seven small open accounts with good paying record.

NO.63

GEORGE P. THOMPSON

The 1935 city directory lists GEORGE P. THOMPSON as Assistant Vice-President, Whitney National Bank, residing 4416 Ferrier Street. At this address also is listed GEORGE P. THOMPSON, JUNIOR, clerk for the H. J. Heinz Company. The 1938 city directory lists the same information.

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The records of the New Orleans Retailers' Credit Bureau lists GEORGE P. THOMPSON, SENIOR, as Assistant Vice-President and Assistant Manager of the Whitney National Bank, 401 Camp Street. A report dated October 15, 1938, indicates that he is a native of New Orleans and has been living at his present address for twenty-five years. His age is given as sixty-four years, married to ALPHONSINE WALZ. No children. He is well regarded by his employers. His habits, morals, and reputation are good. His estimated income is \$300.00 per month. He owns his own home and his wife receives an income of \$100.00 per month from employment by the Tuberculosis and Public Health Association. His wife also owns property which is mortgaged for \$4,700.00.

FRANK H. MORTIMER advised that he has known of this man for a number of years; that he was formerly in the wholesale grocery business in New Orleans and that he is presently Vice-President of the Whitney National Bank. His reputation in the community is very good. He is considered thoroughly reliable but is not socially prominent.

A. D. O'BRIEN advised that he is acquainted with this juror and has been for a number of years, and that he enjoys a good reputation, in New Orleans; that he is presently Manager of a branch bank of the Whitney National Bank and that he was a very close friend of Mr. O'BRIEN'S father-in-law, the late D. D. MOORE of the Times-Picayune.

WARREN KEARNEY advised that THOMPSON has a very good reputation in the community and that he has no known political affiliations.

Confidential Informant advised that he has known THOMPSON and his family for a number of years; that THOMPSON takes no active part in politics and that he enjoys a very good reputation in the community.

NO. 64

G. J. FERNANDEZ

The 1935 city directory lists GERARD FERNANDEZ as a lawyer residing at 1540 Crete Street. Also listed at that address is GABRIEL FERNANDEZ, JUNIOR, lawyer and notary public. The 1938 city directory lists GERARD J. FERNANDEZ, lawyer and notary public, 720 Union Street, residing 1540 Crete Street. Also at this address is listed GLADYS FERNANDEZ, Interviewer of the City Department of Public Welfare, and OLIVER J. PRIGGE. At 720 Union Street, besides FERNANDEZ are listed the Puritan Realty Company, EDWARD W. OBERLING, Real Estate Agent, Citizens Life Insurance Company of Louisiana, and LOUIS SCHULER, Real Estate Agent.

The records of the New Orleans Retailers' Credit Bureau reflect that GERARD JOSEPH FERNANDEZ presently resides at 1540 Crete, having formerly resided at 3627 Dumaine Street. His occupation is given as attorney. The file contains a report dated August 30, 1939, in which his age is given as thirty-nine, married; has been an attorney since July 1935,

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having graduated from Tulane University. His reputation, morals and character are good, and his estimated income is \$2,400.00 annually. He has no other income. Is a native of New Orleans, and son of GABRIEL FERNANDEZ, deceased.

Confidential Informant advised that he knows this man only slightly, having had but one occasion to transact business with him; that he has been practicing law in New Orleans for about four years and would possibly not be recommended as a juror.

NO.65

JOHN B. VEGLIA

The 1935 city directory lists JOHN B. VEGLIA as a carpenter residing at 501 North Hennessey. The 1938 city directory lists the same information with also ANGEL VEGLIA at 501 North Hennessey.

The records of the New Orleans Retailers' Credit Bureau reflect that JOHN B. VEGLIA, 501 North Hennessey, is employed as a contractor, located at 614 North Rampart Street. The file contains no credit report but trade experience over a period of years indicates good payments on small open accounts. On July 20, 1932, a chattel mortgage was given to the Asset Realization Company on a truck for \$907.92. On October 3, 1938, VEGLIA bought from the French Market Homestead Association a lot for \$1,600.00.

FRANK H. MORTIMER advised that this man is in the small contracting business and has achieved a moderate success through his own efforts in this business. He is considered very honest and reliable and has no political connections.

NO.66

ED F. ILLING

The 1935 city directory lists EDWARD F. ILLING as President of Walle and Company, Inc., residing at 1218 North Rendon Street. Also employed by Walle and Company is OLIVER E. ILLING, artist, residing at 1914 Brockenbrough. At 1218 North Rendon, in addition to EDWARD F. ILLING, OLIVER E. ILLING, student, is listed. The 1938 city directory furnishes the same information, with addition of MAUDE as wife of EDWARD F. ILLING. The officers of Walle and Company, Lithographers, located at 461 Tchoupitoulas Street, are given as EDWARD F. ILLING, President; JOSEPH L. CABALLERO, Vice-President; EDWIN C. WAGNER, Vice-President; WILLIAM W. WAGNER, Secretary and Treasurer.

Records of the New Orleans Retailers' Credit Bureau reflect that EDWARD F. ILLING presently resides at 1218 North Rendon Street, having formerly resided at 3341 Dumaine, 1125 N. Gayoso. Credit report dated September 15, 1939, indicates he is a native of New Orleans, fifty-seven years of age, married to MAUDE WAGNER, and has in addition to his wife two grandchildren as dependents. He has been President of Walle and Company

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for years, having been formerly employed by the United Fruit Company in the Tropics. He is well regarded and his habits, morals and character are good. His estimated income is \$200.00 per month with additional income from rents. He owns his home assessed at \$3,600.00, and other piece of property assessed at \$2,800.00. His wife also owns small property interests. His credit paying record is shown to be good on several small open accounts.

NO. 67

WALTER GAGNET

The 1935 city directory lists WALTER J. GAGNET, 1723 Joseph Street. The 1938 city directory lists WALTER J. GAGNET, 2634 Joseph Street.

Records of the New Orleans Retailers' Credit Bureau reflect that WALTER J. GAGNET is employed as a margin clerk for John F. Clark and Company, Canal Bank Building. His present address is given as 2634 Joseph Street, and he has formerly resided at 1723 Joseph, 2411 Napoleon, 5319 Perrier. The files of this bureau do not contain a credit report and his paying record on several small open accounts is shown to be good.

NO. 68

CLARENCE J. ROGERS

The 1935 city directory lists CLARENCE J. ROGERS, Secretary-Treasurer, Black and Rogers Company, General Insurance Agents, 417 Hibernia Bank Building; residence, 86 Fontainebleau Drive. The 1938 city directory lists CLARENCE J. ROGERS, wife - LILLIAN W., President and Treasurer of Black, Rogers and Company; residence, 86 Fontainebleau Drive. The officers of Black, Rogers and Company, 417 Hibernia National Bank, are given as CLARENCE J. ROGERS, President and Treasurer; MAURICE L. WARNER, Vice-President; DUNEL D. BLACK, Secretary.

Records of the New Orleans Retailers' Credit Bureau reflect that CLARENCE J. ROGERS presently resides at 86 Fontainebleau Drive, where he has been living since 1933; that he formerly resided at 1901 Saint Charles Avenue, and 1326 St. Andrew. A report dated July 25, 1938, reflects he is a native of New Orleans, fifty-five years of age, and married, his wife being the only dependent. He has been employed with Black Rogers and Company, Insurance Agency, for thirty years, having no previous employment. He is a stockholder as well as officer in that company. His estimated income is \$10,000.00 per year. He owns his home, which is assessed for \$11,000.00, and is clear of encumbrances. He is well regarded, his character, morals and habits are good. He has an interest in a piece of property in the 7th District valued at \$5,000.00, and his net worth is estimated at \$25,000.00. Trade experience shows several small accounts outstanding, with payment shown as slow on most and unsatisfactory on one, only two of which show good credit payments.

FRANK H. MORTIMER advised that he has known of this man for

many years and knows him casually as one of the executives of the Black-Rogers Company. He is considered very wealthy and is very prominent socially in New Orleans. He has no known political affiliations.

Confidential Informant advised that while he does not know Mr. ROGERS intimately he knows his family connections and is of the opinion that those persons with whom he is associated in business are of a political leaning opposed to the present State administration. He believes that this man would make an acceptable juror.

NO. 69

HARRY D. HAMILTON

The 1935 city directory lists HARRY D. HAMILTON as Vice-President of the Maloney Trucking and Storage Company, Inc., residing at 2034 Octavia Street. The 1938 city directory lists the same information with the addition of his wife's name, RUTH. Officers of the Maloney Trucking and Storage Company, which is located at 1200 South Front Street, are given as PAUL H. MALONEY, JR., President; ROBERT L. HARDIE, Vice-President; ROGER J. NAYLZ, Vice-President; HARRY D. HAMILTON, Vice-President; EMILE J. MUGNER, Secretary and Treasurer.

It will be noted that PAUL H. MALONEY, JUNIOR, President of the Maloney Trucking and Storage Company, is included in this list of jurors above as NO. 8.

The records of the New Orleans Retailers' Credit Bureau reflect that HAMILTON has formerly lived at 2240 State Street, 1821 Pine Street, 5517 Clara Street, 2235 South Carrollton Avenue, and 6028 Benjamin Street. That he is employed as Vice-President of the Maloney Trucking and Storage Company. In a credit report dated December 12, 1935, he is indicated as a native of New Orleans, thirty-eight years of age, married, with two children. That he has been in his present employment for the past seven years, previously employed by the Douglas Public Service Company as clerk for ten years. He is well regarded and fairly reliable, with good associates. His income is estimated at \$3,000.00 per year, and his net worth as nominal. He does not own his own home and rents.

FRANK H. MORTIMER advised that his father is well known to him but this man's occupation is not known. His family is considered to be of character and thoroughly reliable, and he has no known political connections.

A. D. O'BRIEN advised that he is well acquainted with this juror and that he is an active member of the Young Men's Business Club of New Orleans; that he enjoys an excellent reputation for honesty and fairness and has good associates.

WARREN KNEASLY advised that he is associated prominently with the Maloney Trucking and Storage Company, the head of which company

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is the son of the present Congressman for the Second District and, consequently, has very close political affiliations with the present political regime.

Confidential Informant advised that HAMILTON is the son of CHARLES H. HAMILTON of New Orleans who is prominent in the coffee business, being head of the Merchants' Coffee Company; that the juror works for the Maloney Trucking and Storage Company and was formerly an ensign in the Navy during the World War. He is presently a reserve officer in the Navy. Informant knows the juror intimately and believes he is an excellent citizen and would be entirely acceptable as a juror in spite of his connection with the Maloney Trucking and Storage Company.

NO. 70R. J. LeGARDEUR

The 1935 city directory lists RENE J. LeGARDEUR, of R. J. LeGARDEUR and COMPANY, residing 1315 Lowerline Street. Members of R. J. LeGARDEUR and Company are given as R. J. LeGARDEUR and FRANK YOUNGMAN, Accountants, 305 Baronne Street. The 1938 city directory lists RENE J. LeGARDEUR, wife, ANN, residing 1715 Valence Street. Also at this address is listed RENE J. LeGARDEUR, JR. and DANIEL.

The records of the New Orleans Retailers' Credit Bureau reflect that R. J. LeGARDEUR has lived at 2137 Milan and has formerly resided at 1315 Lowerline Street; that he is employed with R. J. LeGARDEUR and COMPANY, firm of Public Accountants. In a report dated September 3, 1930, his age is given as sixty years, married, and children grown. His occupation previously was given for several years with J. Y. Fauntleroy and Company. He has been a certified public accountant since 1908. Estimated income \$5,000.00 per year, and is indicated to have other income. On February 3, 1900, he purchased from the Pan American Life Insurance Company a piece of property in the 6th District for \$6,000.00. His social and business connections are considered good. He has had no domestic trouble, nor has he been in bankruptcy. His firm is considered one of the more prominent accounting firms in the city. The file of the credit bureau also contains a report on RENE J. LeGARDEUR, JUNIOR, employed at the Southport Corporation as Vice President and Secretary. In a report dated September 8, 1939, his age is given as fifty years, married to MARY R. BUCHANAN, with two children. Has been Vice-President and Secretary of the Southport Corporation since 1926, and is a partner in the Southport Cooperaage Company. Estimated income is \$5,000.00 annually, and estimated net worth is \$5,000.00. He owns his own home, which he purchased September 5, 1935, from the Fidelity Homestead Association. He is considered competent and capable and has a good reputation. His trade experience indicates good paying record.

FRANK H. MORTIMER advises that RENE J. LeGARDEUR, SENIOR, is a certified public accountant practicing in his own name, and has been

in the practice of accountancy for a number of years in New Orleans. He is from a very old and prominent family which has a high standing and good reputation in the community. He is not known to have engaged in any political activities or to have any political connections.

WARREN KEARNEY advised that this juror would be acceptable.

Confidential Informant advised that this man is a certified public accountant and represents the highest type of citizen in the community. That he knows him intimately as a man of much courage, with the power of his own convictions, and he is an avowed anti-administrationist.

NO. 71

GINDER ABBOTT

The 1935 city directory lists GINDER ABBOTT, Accountant, with the General Finance Company of Louisiana, Inc., residing 195 Audubon Boulevard. The 1938 city directory lists GINDER ABBOTT (wife - BLANCHICE), Salesman, Bohn Motor Company, residence, 4510 Pitt Street. The officers of the Bohn Motor Company are listed as GEORGE W. BOHN, President; Ford Agency, South Broad and Washington Avenue.

It is to be noted that GEORGE W. BOHN is included in this list of jurors as NO. 9 above.

Records of the New Orleans Retailers' Credit Bureau reflect that GINDER ABBOTT is in charge of the Laboratory for the Public Health Institution, 938 Poydras Street; that he presently resides at 4510 Pitt Street, and has formerly resided at 5025 St. Charles Avenue, 1122 Pine Street, 2323 Canal Street, 2107 Broadway, 7021 Apricot, 5325 St. Charles Avenue, 2606 General Pershing. In a credit report dated August 18, 1938, his age is given as fifty-six years; his wife died in 1934 and he has two daughters, 15 and 17 years of age. Since August 1938 his occupation has been in charge of the Laboratory of the Public Health Institute at a salary of \$150.00 per month. Previous occupation indicated being thirty-five years in the automobile business, as a bookkeeper and service manager, during which time he was for ten years the local dealer for the Packard. He has also been a salesman for the Bohn Motor Company; also formerly employed as an accountant for the General Finance Company for one year. Previous employment indicates he was with the United Fruit Company for two years. He owns property at 2321 Pine Street which is mortgaged for \$8,500.00, and receives rents of \$80.00 month from this property. Trade experience reflects numerous small accounts, several of which have been turned over for collection, and several installment accounts with good paying record.

FRANK H. MORTIMER advised that this man was formerly very prominent in the automobile business and is presently thought to be in

the insurance business. He is not prominent socially and is not known to have any political connections.

NO. 72

CHARLES MASSIE

The 1935 city directory lists a CHARLES MASSIE as a laborer residing at 1429 Camborne Street. The 1938 city directory lists CHARLES B. MASSIE (wife - FLORENCE) as a waiter at the Boston Club, residing 1429 Camborne.

Records of the New Orleans Retailers' Credit Bureau reflect that CHARLES B. MASSIE is colored, residing 1429 Camborne Street, and as being employed by the Boston Club for thirty-five years at a salary of \$45.00 per month plus tips, which amount to approximately twice his salary. From a report dated October 6, 1932, his age is given as fifty-five years, married, owns his own home, which is assessed at \$8,000.00, unencumbered. Has two or three dependents. His employers' opinion is very good and he is considered honest and reliable, having lived in present neighborhood for a number of years and always has been conservative in his financial affairs.

FRANK H. MORTIMER advised he knows this man as a porter at the Boston Club.

NO. 73

HENRY D. MORTIMER

The 1935 city directory does not list a HENRY D. MORTIMER but lists FRANK MORTIMER as Special Agent for the Union Central Life Insurance Company, residing 1920 Palmer Avenue. HENRY D. MORTIMER has no listing in the 1938 directory. However, FRANK H. MORTIMER is listed as General Manager, Standard Brewing Company, residing 1920 Palmer Avenue.

The records of the New Orleans Retailers' Credit Bureau reflect that HENRY D. MORTIMER, son of FRANK H. MORTIMER, has resided at 1920 Palmer Avenue, 1537 Camp Street, 3105 Louisiana Avenue, and presently resides at 4018 Pitt Street. He has been employed as customers' man for E. A. Pierce and Company, Brokerage House, 208 Carondelet. Report indicates he was not working as of August 1, 1938. From a trade clearance dated August 14, 1939, his employment was shown to be as bookkeeper for the National Bank of Commerce. His rating is given as good, and several small open accounts are listed. On August 17, 1938, judgment was entered for \$64.55 against MORTIMER by Carrere Manufacturing and Investment Company.

FRANK H. MORTIMER advised that this juror is his son; that he is presently employed in the savings department of the Whitney National Bank;

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that he knows his son's views to be definitely opposed to the present State administration.

Confidential Informant advised that he knows this juror as the son of FRANK H. MORTIMER who was formerly the Clerk of the United States District Court of Appeals; that HENRY MORTIMER is a young man of fine associates, although the informant is of the opinion that he is inclined to be weak in character and might not hold his convictions under pressure.

NO. 74

DAVID B. JACKSON

The 1935 city directory lists a DAVID B. JACKSON at 1539 Annunciation Street. The 1938 city directory lists no DAVID B. JACKSON at this address but thirteen other DAVID JACKSONS are listed. This directory lists at 1539 Annunciation Street a man named JOHN L. CAZES.

Records of the New Orleans Retailers' Credit Bureau reflect that DAVID B. JACKSON residing at 1539 Annunciation is a retired policeman who died July 13, 1937.

NO. 75

CLIFFORD F. FAVROT

The 1935 city directory lists CLIFFORD F. FAVROT residing at 3128 General Pashing. The 1938 city directory lists CLIFFORD F. FAVROT (wife - AGNES), employed by the Favrot Roofing and Supply Company, residing 7325 Hampson Street. The Favrot Roofing and Supply Company is located at 2530 Perdido Street. There is a listing for CHARLES FAVROT, foreman for the Board of Levee Commissioners, residing 307 Hillary Street.

The records of the New Orleans Retailers' Credit Bureau reflect that CLIFFORD F. FAVROT is proprietor of the Favrot Roofing and Supply Company and also owner of the Helen Apartments, 2503 Napoleon Avenue. His present address is given as 7725 Hampson Street, with former addresses at 7325 Hampson Street, 3123 General Pashing Street, and 18 Richmond Place. In a report dated March 11, 1936, it is indicated he was known to the credit bureau since 1924; that he is a native of New Orleans and married to AGNES M. GUTHRIE, with three children. His age is given as thirty-six years. He has been proprietor of the Favrot Roofing and Supply Company since 1935 and his estimated earnings are about \$4,000.00 a year; his net worth is estimated at \$5,000.00. From 1916-20 he was employed by the R. P. Hyen Company, after which employment he organized the Gomilia and Favrot Supply Company, of which he was president until 1923, when the name was changed and incorporated as the Favrot Supply Company. The concern was operated under this name until 1931, when the present name was used. FAVROT owns property in the

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1308 Masonic Temple Building
New Orleans, Louisiana
November 27, 1939

Honorable Rens A. Viosea
United States Attorney
New Orleans, Louisiana

Re: LOUISIANA STATE OFFICIALS;
Information Concerning

Dear Sir:

There is enclosed herewith an anonymous communication received at this office on November 25, 1939, furnishing certain information concerning the "handbook racket" allegedly going on in the City of New Orleans.

Very truly yours,

A. P. KITCHIN
Special Agent in Charge

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Third District assessed at \$1,500.00, and property located at 2530 Perdido, assessed at \$2,800.00, which is clear of encumbrances. He also owns property in the Fourth District assessed at \$2,500.00. He owns his own home purchased from the Eureka Homestead Association November 7, 1935, for \$988.72 and a mortgage of \$7,500.00. On April 7, 1938, he was sued by JOSEPH JONES for damages amounting to \$4,678.00. On June 7, 1939, he was sued by HARRY JACOBS for \$151.29, and on March 29, 1935, he was sued by the State of Louisiana for \$340.00. Under trade clearance dated February 6, 1939, there are indicated several small open accounts with good paying record. He owed on personal loans at that time \$2,700.00 and he also owed the mortgage of 1935 in the amount of \$7,500.00 to the Eureka Homestead Association. A good payment record is indicated.

FRANK H. MONTMER advised that he knows FAVROT to be an architect of very high standing; that he is from an old and prominent family in New Orleans, which family has a high social position. It is his opinion that FAVROT'S political views are definitely opposed to the present State administration. Mr. MONTMER knows no other man by this name than the architect.

WARREN KEARNEY advised that he knows FAVROT as a roofing contractor who is President of the Tulane Alumni Association. He considers him a very high-class and honorable person.

Confidential Informant advised that he knows FAVROT as a graduate of Tulane University, and President of the Tulane Alumni Association; that to his knowledge FAVROT is engaged in the roofing and hardware equipment business, and that his family have been known for their political positions as being opposed to the present State administration; that this juror is believed to be a man of courage and would be a type of person acceptable as a juror for the Government.

This is the complete report of investigation concerning the jurors in the November 1939 term of petit jury in the Eastern District of Louisiana, New Orleans, Louisiana.

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**Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice**
Washington, D. C.

November 24, 1939

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

MR. HUGH A. FISHER of the Criminal Division of the Department telephoned the Washington Field Office at 11 A. M. on November 16, 1939 while I was in an important conference, and advised that a MRS. SYKES had called at his office who had some information on the Governor LECHE case in Louisiana, and requested that she be interviewed by the Washington Field Office.

MRS. IRENE SHEPHERD SYKES was interviewed by Special Agent (A) C. B. BOLAND of this office and stated that her place of residence is 47 West 46th Street, New York City and that she has formerly been employed by CARL BEJOIR & ASSOCIATES, INC., 10 East 40th Street, New York City, New York whose public relations counsel for a number of industrial companies including the Freeport Sulphur Company, the Aluminum Company of America and the National Dairy Products Company.

MRS. SYKES stated that CARL BEJOIR had played a prominent part in raising the campaign fund for the election of President ROOSEVELT.

MRS. SYKES further stated that the State of Louisiana had placed a heavy tax on the production of sulphur which the Freeport Sulphur Company, one of BEJOIR'S clients wished to have reduced. She stated that Governor LECHE had succeeded in reducing the tax on sulphur and that as a consideration for assisting said buyer in this matter, he was to secure his appointment from President ROOSEVELT as a Federal Judge in the State of Louisiana. She stated that when President ROOSEVELT failed to appoint Governor LECHE as a Federal Judge, that BEJOIR was very much incensed with the President and had from that time opposed him vigorously.

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DIRECTOR

Re: MRS. IRENE SHEPHERD SYKES

November 24, 1939.

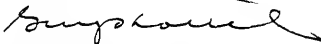
The Washington city directory notes that the local representative of Carl Bejoir and Associates, Inc., is CHESTER M. WRIGHT with offices in the Carpenters Building, 1003 K Street, Room 609.

MRS. SYKES had no basic evidence on which to premise these conclusions of hers in this matter, but stated that she had gathered some of this information from conversations with one ELSIE SIMMONS who was secretary to CARL BEJOIR.

MRS. SYKES stated that she had applied for a position as an investigator with the Criminal Division of the Department in connection with the investigation of Governor LECH, but that negotiations had not been concluded in this matter. MRS. SYKES inquired as to the possibility of her being appointed by the F.B.I. as an investigator in connection with this matter, and was advised that the investigative work of the Bureau was performed by regularly appointed male Special Agents. MRS. SYKES further stated that she had an appointment with MR. TIERNNEY of the Antitrust Division of the Department on the afternoon of November 16, 1939 with reference to her securing a position as an investigator for the Antitrust Division of the Department under Assistant Attorney General THURMAN ARNOLD because she stated she had considerable information in connection with the milk investigation recently conducted by the Antitrust Division of the Department, which had come to her attention because of her interest in the consumer relations with that industry.

In view of the statements made by MRS. SYKES, the same are being furnished to the Bureau for its information.

Very truly yours,



GUY HOTTEL
Special Agent in Charge

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1308 Masonic Temple Building
New Orleans, Louisiana
November 9, 1939

Honorable Rene A. Viozon
United States Attorney
New Orleans, La.

RE: LOUISIANA STATE OFFICIALS;
Information Concerning

Dear Sir:

Mr. Paul Hansen, Field Agent in Charge, Work Projects Administration, New Orleans, Louisiana, transmitted to this office copy of a memorandum which is quoted as follows:

Gulfport, Miss.
November 4, 1939

MEMORANDUM

To: Paul Hansen
From: John E. Harris
Re: Complaint by Mrs. M. S. Coco

Just before I left Baton Rouge, Mrs. M. S. Coco of Bordelonville, La., Avoyelles Parish, called on me to report an irregularity which may involve federal funds, although not within our jurisdiction.

According to complainant, one R. C. Ducote, a member of the levee board, has handled all levee work in Avoyelles parish for a number of years, probably since 1927 when the highwater required the employment of large numbers of men. Since that date, the payrolls have always been large, and complainant states that she is certain that these payrolls are being padded. She names Byron Jefferson, Sam Couvillion and Valley Bordelon as others who are beneficiaries of this practice or who are accessory thereto.

Inasmuch as the federal government, through the Corps of Engineers of the Army, spends large sums on levee work, augmenting state funds there is a possibility that federal funds may be involved in this instance. I suggest that you may want to refer the matter to the FBI for inquiry, or possibly to Mr. Fields for action by the grand jury in Monroe.

Mrs. Coco particularly stressed the fact that if it were known that she had made this complaint, the consequences would be very embarrassing for her and might result in the loss of employment by her husband. She therefore made the request that her part in the affair be not divulged, further requesting that if it were necessary to question her, this be done confidentially or by means of subpoena of the grand jury.

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Hon. Rene A. Viosca - #2

Nov. 9, 1939

This is being referred to you in accordance with past procedure.

Very truly yours,

A. P. KINGHIN
Special Agent in Charge

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New Orleans, La.
Nov. 2, 1939.

Hon. Rene A. Viosca,
United States Attorney,
New Orleans, Louisiana.

Re: LOUISIANA STATE OFFICIALS;
INFORMATION CONCERNING.

Dear Sir:

There are enclosed herewith photostatic copies of an anonymous communication dated October 9, 1939, which was received at the Bureau, along with photostatic copies of the enclosure to this letter.

This letter and enclosure are being submitted to your office in accordance with past procedure.

Very truly yours,

A. P. Kitchin,
Special Agent in Charge.

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NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA
October 28, 1939

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Honorable Rene A. Viosca
United States Attorney
New Orleans, Louisiana

Re: ² LOUISIANA STATE OFFICIALS;
Information Concerning

Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith are copies of a communication received by this Bureau postmarked at Eudora, Arkansas, October 14, 1939, relating to the matters presently being investigated by your office.

Very truly yours,

A. P. KITCHIN
Special Agent in Charge

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